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SPEED-UP OF LEAVES URGED

The Washington office urges the speeding up of leaves to fill the good jobs being found in the midwest, said Leave Officer Willis J. Hanson, who returned from the general WRA conference held in Denver last week.

In commenting upon impressions made by evacuee workers in Denver, Hanson illustrated with the story told by Bob Adell, proprietor of the leading garage in Denver. "I was afraid to hire them at first, wondering about the public reaction. We find them clean, courteous, and good mechanics. The customers like them."

SKOOKUMS, SEPOL WIN

In the most exciting basketball game staged by center teams at the Granada gym, the Skookums eked out a 41-38 victory over the Royal Arians in the second game of an AA double-header last night.

The Skookums held a 22-20 lead at the half but relinquished their lead and trailed 32-29 at the end of the third period.

Baskets by Hobi Fujii and Soapy Miyashima in the closing minutes gave the Skookums a three-point advantage which they held to the end of the game.

Led by Tosh Shimizu who scored 27 points, the Sebestopol Ramblers beat the Rockets, 47-40, in the first game.

The fast-improving Rockets surprised the Ramblers and held a 25-19 lead at halftime. But Tosh Shimizu scored 15 points in the final quarter to put the Sepol team on top.

John Tsuruta scored 12 points for Sepol and Kenny Ohki made 15 for the losers.

REGISTRATION OF ALL CITIZENS SCHEDULED

ARMY TEAM TO VISIT CENTER ON FRIDAY TO SIGN UP NISEI MEN

All citizen evacuees, male and female, between the ages of 18 and 58 will be registered for military service or employment in war industries, stated Walter J. Knodel, selective service registrar for the center.

Knodel, recently returned from a training conference sponsored by the War department in Washington, said that a special recruiting team will be sent to each of the 10 centers.

The Granada team which is expected to arrive Friday includes:

Captain Fairchild, Sgt. Fred Odenaka, Staff Sgt. Robert Bischoff, and Sergeant Davis. They will be aided by Walter J. Knodel, administrative representative.

Following the registration of the male citizens, the women will be registered. Although the WAAC attitude is still unknown, their interest was manifest at the conference meetings, said Knodel.

"The showing that we make is highly important because we've finally gotten the things we've been asking for—equality of opportunity in helping the war effort through active combat duty and war industry participation," declared Knodel.

LEADERS IN LAST SESSION

The final session of the Leadership Training course, sponsored by the coordinating council, will be held tomorrow, 6:30 p.m. at Terry hall.

Practical suggestions and timely tips on leadership will be given, with actual illustrations from various group situations. Qualities of leadership and how to improve leadership will also be discussed.

CALENDAR

TODAY

2:00 p.m.—Coordinating council meeting, 6G recreation hall.

6:50 p.m.—Movies, 9E mess hall.

7:20 p.m.—Movies, 11E mess hall.

TOMORROW

6:30 p.m.—Leadership training course, Terry hall.

6:50 p.m.—Movies, 12F mess hall.

7:20 p.m.—Movies, 12H mess hall.

7:30 p.m.—Japanese music hour, 8E mess hall.

VISITORS

AP NEWSMEN INVESTIGATE

Four members of the Associated Press' Denver office today visited the Granada relocation center to gather material for a news story about the administration and residents here.

The newsmen spent the morning investigating center conditions, sounding out opinions of residents, and taking pictures.

The visitors included Leif Erickson, E. O. Eisenhand, T. M. Metzger, and T. M. Metzger, Jr.

Yesterday Paramount News cameramen, under E. K. Edwards, took pictures in the center.

Also visiting the center are two WRA officials from the Washington office. They are Oscar Buttendahl, reports officer, and John Ambree, social analyst.

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Mrs. Chizuyo Hanazawa brought a suggestion to the assembly that a survey be taken of the number of families within the center which have sent boys into the armed forces. Her idea is to have a service flag for the center that should be put up in the administration building to let the people who come into this center on business or out of curiosity know how many of our loved ones are bearing arms to defend this country — ours and theirs.

It is a splendid idea that should be backed by the residents. A service flag showing the number of our men in the army may gain us considerable good will, for many outsiders fail to realize that we are the same people — we in this center, and our sons, brothers, husbands, and fathers, who are doing their part in the war effort.

A representative of the Great Western Sugar Company, C. V. Maddux, has been in the center looking for evacuee families interested in share cropping. He said considerable farm labor, experienced and inexperienced, will also be needed again this year.

He had a good word for the impression left by the many workers that went out from this center.

It is a good way of letting the people on the outside learn to know the evacuees, but many workers last fall gained very little more than a backache and some experience.

To prevent the recurrence of these unhappy experiences, the employment committee of the assembly is working toward the organization of a labor board to investigate working and living conditions of job offers brought into this center.

An unfavorable condition on the outside may be a means of keeping labor within the center to make it self-sufficient, but workers who do go out should be protected from exploitation.

—Khan Komai

Letters TO THE EDITOR

TO THE EDITOR:

Recently there appeared a letter inquiring about the rumored discounts that were given to the employees of the community enterprises.

As yet, no explanation, denial, or affirmation has been given to the public. It will be of great interest to know of their procedure.

I do not think it should be the policy of any community set-up to favor but a few. We who are working for the WRA are also receiving but a meager salary and should be entitled to any such discounts that may be available.

A clarification of this matter is desired from the official sources.

FRED KISHI

TO THE EDITOR:

In regard to the recent article in the PIONEER concerning discounts given to employees of the community enterprises, the Board of Management would like to present the following facts.

For the past two months, all community enterprises employees have been given a nominal consideration on clothing necessities for their personal use. In no cases have allowances exceeded more than half of our profit on any particular item of clothing. Please notice that allowances have been made only for their own personal use, and not for their family or friends. We have on file a complete record of individual purchases made by employees for their personal use, and the above facts have been inspected by the present Board of Directors of the

community enterprises.

Our main reason for giving considerations for personal clothing has been to equalize the extra clothing purchases that have been available for all WRA employees. You will notice that only WRA employees can buy GI clothing at nominal costs, which has been unfair to our employees. In many cases, employees of WRA has received GI clothing free of charge. We feel it only fair to allow some consideration in view of these facts.

We bring to your attention our explanation of personal clothing, which refers only to articles which will be worn by the person applying for consideration. Articles, such as towels, cosmetics, and merchandise sold in our canteen have not been considered personal clothing.

Effective immediately, the practice of giving considerations to community enterprises employees will be discontinued and will not be used unless authorized by the permanent Board of Directors.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

TO THE EDITOR:

The practice of some waitresses to rest the lip of the pitcher on a cup while pouring is an unsanitary one.

A little more energy is needed to hold the pitcher away from the cup, but it would result in the prevention of an untold number of germs.

The above practice may have been the way that you caught your cold or what have you.

"CONSCIOUS"

VIOLINIST TO APPEAR SOON PASSES TO LAMAR ARE CURTAILED BY POLICE

Robert Cross, violinist, will appear at Terry hall on Feb. 16, the elementary school office revealed this week.

Gross is a faculty member of Colorado college in Colorado Springs and also instructs at the Lamont School of Music in Denver. He is concertmaster of the Colorado Springs symphony orchestra.

Admission prices at the two performances are 10 cents for children and 25 cents for adults.

VITAL STATS

BIRTHS:

To Mr. and Mrs. Ichiro Morizono, 11E-9A, a boy, Tetsutaro David, in the center hospital, Jan. 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masakazu Yoshihara, 11H-8C, a boy, in the center hospital, Feb. 1.

DEATH:

To Kanichi Oshita, 7C-8E, formerly of Yuba City, Calif., in the center hospital, Jan. 30.

Passes to Lamar will be issued once a month to the same individual, said Yoshiko Ito, police secretary.

Passes may be obtained only between the hours of

8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. on week days, and 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Saturdays.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday passes will be given on Monday; Friday and Saturday passes on Wednesday; and Monday passes on Saturday.

Residents are asked to follow these schedules in obtaining their passes.

Three persons were caught last week using forged passes and have been denied future pass privileges, according to the police department. This is a warning to any others who might try the same thing, they added.

Enrollment Date Set

Enrollment of postgraduate students for second semester classes has been set for Feb. 15, according to S. Clay Coy, senior high school principal.

Further information may be obtained at the senior high school office, 8H-5P.

ADVENTISTS IN NIGHT MEETING

Recordings, community singing, and a special solo will feature the young people's fellowship meeting of Seventh-Day Adventists at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow, 7C recreation hall.

The public is cordially invited to attend the meeting.

EVACUEES SOUGHT FOR FARM CARE

E. A. Russell and Leonard Milano, acquaintances of Stanley E. Adams, internal security officer, visited the center last week with Miss Bess Captain in search of an evacuee family to take care of a farm owned by Milano.

CO-OPS: OF, BY, AND FOR YOU

FREEDOM FROM WANT

In this last of a series of brief essays on the history, principles, and philosophy of consumer co-operation, it is our purpose to show the special role of co-ops in the modern world. If democracy is to be preserved, the welfare of the consumer must be preserved. But if his welfare is to be preserved, the consumer must co-operate and not leave the job to labor, or capital, or even our own government.

There has been much talk of the four freedoms--religious freedom, political freedom, freedom from want, and freedom from fear. Consumer co-operation is one of the most likely techniques for securing economic rights for all--freedom from want. To be free from want, all consumers must have adequate purchasing power to buy goods.

The economic system as we have all known it has been designed for the express purpose of separating

consumers from their purchasing power in the form of profits accumulated to the ownership of fewer and fewer investors. These profits have become so concentrated that periodic depressions have increased in violence and frequency and thus have forced the government to tax part of the profits away and give them back to depressed consumers on various excuses in order to provide even enough purchasing power for subsistence.

Consumer co-operatives are designed through the principle of patronage savings for the express purpose of keeping and renewing the purchasing power within the ownership of the consumers themselves. The more consumers co-operate by supplying their own businesses with both capital and patronage, plus business efficiency and a co-operative policy, the better consumers can protect their economic rights.

Without economic democracy, other kinds of freedom cannot be maintained.

American traditions are in line with an increasingly democratic world. Our forefathers came here to enjoy freedom of worship and conscience. Later the political freedoms of speech, press, association, and ballot were established in our Constitution and our Bill of Rights. As it was with religion and government, now business must also be of, by, and for the people. In our time the cry is for freedom from want and insecurity and for freedom from fear of race and class discrimination.

Unless these rights can be secured, democracy will fail. The consumer co-operative movement throughout some 40 nations is one of the tools of the common man by which he can maintain, extend, and build a truly democratic world.

--E. H. Runcorn

CO-OP MOVIE TO BE SHOWN HERE

"Here Is Tomorrow," a sound film showing the possibilities and advantages of co-operatives, will be an added feature to the regular movies soon.

VISITORS

SOLDIERS:

Sgt. Thomas T. Masamitsu; Ft. Riley, Kan.

CIVILIANS:

Sunao and Iwao Mingo, Hugh, Sho, and Shori Kuriyama, Sam and George Ashida, Tom and Henry Hiraga, Tommy Hirooka, Crowley; Rev. G. S. Upton, M. S. Hollis, Lamar.

Frank Ikeda, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Inodomi, Suzy, and Tsuyako Osajima, Bill Hattaraku, Mikio Miyashita, Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Nishikawa, Ft. Lupton; A. P. Malone, Lamar; Mr. Kuriyama, Hugh Kuriyama, Asano Akagi, Konami Aoki, Olney Springs; Genevieve Tootell, New York; J. D. Sasaki, Jerome, Ark.

BANKER DESCRIBES CENTER CONDITIONS AND MORALE

A Granadan's eye view of Amache is presented by H. E. McKeever, vice president-cashier of the American State Bank, in the January issue of The Mountain States Banker, official organ of the Colorado, Wyoming, and New Mexico Banking associations.

Under the heading "Nips Nip Business Blues in Granada, Colo.," McKeever describes the construction of the center and the living conditions.

Writes McKeever, "The Japanese labor certainly saved the day for the Prowers County beet farmers, and it is believed that if it were not for this available labor a large percentage of the beets could not have been harvested on account of the shortage of other labor..."

"The farmers who were fortunate enough to obtain crews in the beet harvest have nothing but praise for the Japanese men and boys, although a lot of them had no experience in beet harvesting. A large number of the evacuees are

DECEMBER CHECKS DUE

All workers should receive their December pay checks by the end of this week, Henry F. Halliday, senior administrative officer, said today.

The payroll has been brought on a current basis, he stated, and the payment of all wages should be made in the succeeding months.

Sociologist Visits Center

John Embree of the social analogy section of community services from the Washington office visited the center this week to discuss the social development and attitudes of the residents towards evacuation.

He has made several trips to Japan and his last visit in 1936 was made to study the social conditions there.

people from the large cities of the west coast with no farming experience. However, they usually were quick to learn the ways of a beet harvest and did a good job...

"We find that these people conduct themselves in a commendable manner. They are in a tough spot and seem to realize it, and are making the best of an unfortunate situation. The morale of this particular center has been high. The young people all speak good English and their mannerisms are very much American, and their ratings in the schools they attended in California were high."

Of the critics of center schools McKeever says, "Those who have voiced such criticism do not take into consideration the number of school children on the area and their intense desire to get an education and to prove themselves worthy of American citizenship." He also points out that the school buildings are being constructed of most economical materials.



BY TAXIE KUSUNOKI.

To say why gals acts so and so,
Or don't, 'ould be pre-
sumin';
Mebby to mean yes an'
Comes nateral to woman.

--J. R. LOWELL
(The Courtin')

IZZATSO?

"Us girls" in the office are still wondering who tacked up this item on the wall. (You can probably guess what movie it advertises--)"Women are strange little beasts. You can treat them like dogs (he did!)--beat them 'til your arm aches (he did!)...and still they love you (they did!). But in the end they'll get you and you are helpless in their hands." US NAVY--1943

With the introduction of WAVES into the nation's Navy department, that familiar old warning has been revised to "Hide your brother--the fleet's in!" (This from a current magazine.)

THAT'S ALWAYS GOOD

Speaking of reasons given for walking to Granada, one girl's recent retort was, "I'm getting fat!"

HI, JIB!

Harassed Sports Scribe "Jib" Sumita blurted, out of a cloudy grey sky: "Aww, I'm so d--- tired!" "Why don't you take her home earlier?" joked Patricia. Without thinking, "Jib" answered defensively, "I do!" and looked puzzled when everybody roared. (Shhhh, he didn't hear the fifth word!)

LETTER TO THE READER:

Is no news good news, or are you just being reticent? How's for a comment or two--written or verbal--as to what you'd most like to read in this colyum? One new suggestion has been submitted, but we can't act on that one alone. We want more, please. We mean it.

Yours for lots of nasty letters--
b.u.g.

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS PRESIDENT'S BALL

More than 150 couples attended the President's Ball at Terry hall Saturday evening, Bill Tsuji, co-chairman, revealed yesterday.

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SKETCHES

"Tsuki ga deta, tsuki ga deta," were the strains of the popular Japanese song that floated to a young fellow's ears as he walked by the 9E recreation hall.

An expression of bewilderment and then a pleasant smile broke upon the youth's face as he peered through the window and beheld the unusual scene. It always seemed rather strange to him to hear a Caucasian speak the Japanese language, but here was one singing a Japanese song to her pupils.

That teacher was none other than Irene A. Reiser, kindergarten instructor, who understands and appreciates the Japanese people and their customs more completely than the majority of the nisei.

Her thorough knowledge of the Japanese language, customs, and the people themselves, were gained during her stay in Japan between 1920 and 1941.

Her many years in that country were spent in doing missionary work, teaching English in a girls' high school, and writing articles for various well-known newspapers and magazines.

Miss Reiser obtained her B. A. degree in education from Alma college, Alma, Mich., and also attended the University of Chicago. Besides her education in the United States, she has learned to speak, write, and read Japanese, which has proved a great asset in her associations with most of her co-workers and friends.

Her many experiences gained throughout her travels in Japan are topics of conversation especially enjoyed by her issei friends.

--Suyeo Sako

Among the honored guests were Mrs. Dennie Johnson, chairman of the Prowers county's March of Dimes campaign, and Mr. Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hatchett; and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Orr.

Diane "Bubbles" Endo, Sumi Kawamura, and Dix Koga entertained during intermission.

NAKA IS NEW JR HIGH ADVISER

Harry Naka this week replaced Lafayette Noda as adviser of the junior high co-op board of directors.

BLOCK 6E HOLDS PARTY

A party was held in honor of the mess hall workers of Block 6E Sunday by the residents. Special thanks were given to Saimon Abe, chief cook.

The 8F Music Makers, led by Nob Kuwatani, provided entertainment.

COUPLE WANTS NURSEMAID

WANTED: A girl to care for a baby of a nisei couple. A wife of a soldier stationed at Camp Phillips, Kan., is preferred. No experience necessary. Write immediately to Mrs. Roy Nishikawa, Great Western hatchery, Salina, Kan.

TRIO RETURNS TO BOULDER

Three instructors yesterday returned to the Boulder Naval Language school after spending the weekend at Amache. The trio included Joe Inouye, James Yoshida, and Masao Igasaki.

COOKING CLASSES START NEXT WEEK

Cooking classes will get under way next week at the 8H kitchen, the night school office announced yesterday.

Two classes will be held; one on Monday and the other on Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m.

Only those who registered several months ago are asked to come. They will be notified this week.

JOB OFFERS IN MIDWEST

Residents with leave clearances are urged to come in and take advantage of the varied job offers in the midwest, said Mario Vecchio of the employment office. The offers are for:

Railroad track laborers in Idaho and Montana; experienced silk and wool spotters, dry cleaners, machine pressers (men), and hand pressers (women), in Minneapolis.

Short order cook and pot washer for the Chicago Y.M.C.A.; ward helpers, kitchen and laundry workers in the Madison General hospital, Wis.

Domestic workers in Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, and Winnetka, Ill.; farmers; and 75 more men for timber operations in southern Colorado.

LAST RITES HELD FOR K OSHITA

Last rites were conducted for Kanichi Oshita, 61, 7G-8E, today at the 7G Buddhist hall. He died of a cerebral hemorrhage at the center hospital Saturday afternoon.

Y's Way

Mary Fujikawa was elected president of the newly organized Mademoiselles. Other officers are Fumiko Fukuda, vice president; Betty Watanabe, secretary; Margaret Ohama, treasurer; Sachi Iseri, historian; and Toshiko Fukuda, member at large.

Alice Suzuki, Y secretary, and Mrs. Rio Kashiwagi left today to attend the YWCA regional conference in Denver.

Mersantas was the new name chosen by the Toquiwas at a meeting Sunday at 10H-3A.

Members of the Y Circle are urged to attend a meeting at the Y office on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Election of officers will take place.

INDIANS WIN 7 STRAIGHT

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BEAT BOBCAT FIVE, 40-23

In registering their seventh straight victory, the Amache Indians swamped the Granada Bobcats, 40-23, in the feature game played at the Granada gym Saturday night.

The center boys, led by smooth-playing Lefty Kitagawa who rang up 18 points, repeatedly broke through the Bobcats' loosely knit defense and were out in front, 24-10, at the half-way mark.

The second half saw very little excitement as the Indians continued their scoring spree and coasted in to an easy victory.

Following Kitagawa for scoring honors was Tosh Okamura with 10 digits while pivotman M. Silva chalked up 7 points, topping the losers.

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GIRLS LOSE ANOTHER

The Amache high school girls again fell before the onslaught of the smooth-working Granada high school sextette, 35-23, in the opening game played at the Granada high gym Saturday.

Although leading at the end of the first quarter, 11-8, the Amache girls could not keep up the pace and slowly lost ground to the Granadans.

Yoko Nakano and Mory Taniguchi tabbed 12 and 6 points respectively for the local girls while Libby Fyner made 18 points.

Health Tests Now Given

Tests in health knowledge are now being given to the senior high school physical education students, according to Head Coach John C. Hoke.

These tests were prepared by the Teachers' College of Columbia university.

DANCE NETS \$19 PROFIT

A profit of \$19.65 was netted at the Pow Wow benefit dance sponsored by the high school athletic department Thursday, according to John C. Hoke, head coach.

The money will be used to buy athletic equipment for the school, said Hoke.

AA BASKETBALL MANAGERS TO MEET

A meeting of the AA-teams' managers will be held tomorrow at the 7E recreation hall at 7 p.m., according to Bill Wada, basketball director.

AMACHE B'S TRIUMPH

The Amache high school B basketball team conquered the Hartman varsity, 24-22, in an exciting game played at the Hartman high school gym Friday evening. The half time score was in favor of Amache, 13-11.

Romeo Kitagawa led the center boys by scoring 9 points while Forward J. Moore tallied 6 for the losers.

In the curtain raiser, the Amache Ceas scored a win over the Hartman cubs, 16-7.

Scoring 8 points, George Hinoki took high point honors for the local boys. Guard Marston chalked up 5 for the Hartman quintet.

VOLUNTEERS CALLED

Volunteers to level the ice skating rink west of Block 7E are wanted, according to Hippo Shibata, chairman of the winter sports club.

They are asked to report to the rink on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. and bring their own shovels.

WEEKEND BASKETBALL RESULTS ARE LISTED

Results of Saturday's B girls' games:

Delta Esquire Jrs, def. Lindy Hoop Jrs., 17-10.
Modesto Nuggets def. Santa Rosa, 21-17.

Results of Saturday's A games:

Royal Araians def. Giants, 18-14.
Aeros def. Sepol Ramblers, 39-25.

Kau Kau Laners def. Dukes, 29-28.

Results of Saturday's

girls' game:

Sepol girls def. the 9H girls, 41-17.

Results of Sunday's A games:

Sepol Rambler A's def. Argonauts, 26-20.

Royal Araian A's def. Dukes, 20-13.

Amache Zephyrs def. Aeros, 28-23.

Delta Esquires def. 10H Buccaneers, 23-17.

Giants def. 12E Ramblers, 25-22.

11G Ping Pong Team Wins

The 11G table tennis team won a hard-fought decision over the 12G team, 19-15, in a tournament held at the 11G recreation hall Sunday.

In the feature game, Mack Saito, 12G, defeated his opponent, Tom Sakurai, in 2 out of 3 sets.

At the 11K tournament, Joe Kobata, well-known tennis star from Los Angeles, defeated H. Nishimura in 3 out of 5 matches to win honors for the day.

