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SECTION MOVEMENTS START MONDAY ADVANCE CREW REACHES ARKANSAS

CENTER MUCH BETTER THAN WAS EXPECTED

By Carl Kurihara
Staff Correspondent

Jerome, Arkansas—Oct. 6.—Conditions here in this vast place are surprisingly good. The weather is perfect now and the location, which is completely encircled by woods, is not swampy.

Fresno Center residents shouldn't worry, everything in general is much better than was believed.

We of the advance crew were well received by the administrative personnel. The manager is Paul Taylor and W. O. Melton is the assistant center manager.

The barracks are built closer together than those "back home." The soil is heavier than that of Central California and looks as if it might be sticky when the rains come. We understand the temperature gets near zero in winter.

There are 36 residential blocks of 15 buildings (Cont'd on Pg. 4, Col. 2)

SECTION A, PORTION OF B, SLATED TO ENTRAIN

The first regular block movement will begin Monday afternoon with 400 temporary Fresno residents slated to entrain for Jerome, Arkansas.

CENTER STORE TO BE OPEN UP TO VERY LAST WEEK

The Center Store will continue business up to the last week according to W. E. Pollock, Service Division Director.

Sufficient notice is to be given before the close of the store to give residents every opportunity to use their books, he said.

Because of delay in the arrival of materials and mechanical difficulties, distribution of the VIGNETTE, originally set for Monday, will be delayed until the latter part of next week.

Residents leaving before issuance, will receive their copies in Jerome, Arkansas.

A large part of the group will be composed of bachelors from Section A, with families from a portion of Block B and a num-

Persons living in sections A and B who are leaving Monday, should have their check baggage ready to be collected Sunday morning.

Those in K and J should have their baggage ready on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, respectively.

ber of residents with family members in Arkansas with the advance crew composing the contingent.

The departure will lower the population to 4,295.

This movement will mark the first large contingent from this Center to relocate to the new home in the heart of the continent.

Already on their way are hundreds of Santa Anita's, formerly of the Long Beach-San Pedro area. Slated to leave the former camp are 2,450 evacuees whose embarkations will be completed by October 16.

The first group will follow a route through Stockton, Salt Lake City, Denver, Kansas City, Memphis and Jerome.

On Wednesday, a second contingent consisting of residents from K and part of J will depart followed two days later by 471 centerites from J and I. They will follow a route (Cont'd on pg. 4, col. 3)

"FRISCO LIL" TAKES CENTER SCREEN SPOTLIGHT MONDAY

"Frisco Lil" starring Irene Hervoy, Kent Taylor and Jerome Cowan will take the Center screen spotlight Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

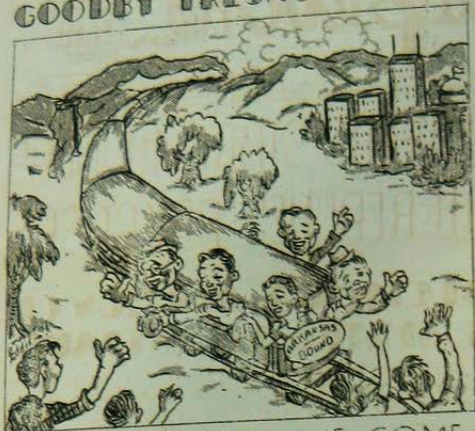
"Don't Get Personal" with Hugh Herbert, Mischa Amur and Jane Frazee in the lead roles, will complete the double bill program.

After finishing her course in law school, Irene Hervoy discovers that her father was a victim of racketeering gangsters so

she poses as a singer in a waterfront cafe and matches her wits against the underworld bigwigs and finally saves her dad from ruin.

Green, yellow and grey ticket holders will be admitted in that order.

GOODBY FRESNO - OCT. 12



ARKANSAS HERE WE COME!

IN ANTICIPATION OF OUR NEW HOME IN JEROME

Many of us were relieved upon hearing from Bishop C. S. Reifsnider last Sunday that Jerome Center is one of the best among all Relocation Projects.

Jerome will be our home for the "duration." What we'll make of it will depend largely on ourselves--whether we work together for the common good or fail to do so because of our selfish motives.

It is one of the fundamental policies of the War Relocation Authority to build the Center into a cooperative community organized for the good of the entire population. The community store, which will be operated temporarily by the Administration, will, as soon as possible, be converted into a genuine consumers' cooperative store. There will be no private business. The stores in Manzanar, Tule Lake and Poston are now in this process of being changed into a store owned and operated democratically by the people.

This is one of the concrete means of community cooperation. This spirit of cooperation must permeate throughout the Center in whatever activity the residents undertake. We must go to Jerome with the determination that no sectionalism or selfishness will disrupt the harmonious community life designed for the common good.

--Hideo Hashimoto

CENTERS ELSEWHERE

MANZANAR

There is an increasing need by the Army for camouflage nets and Manzanar's success or failure will determine in large measure the industrial policy in other Centers, it was disclosed.

Hope was expressed that production schedule could be stopped up. A review of the local record indicated a drop of more than 50 per cent for September. In August, production was up to 15,384 nets. September's total was 7,512. This loss was largely due to loss of workers through the furlough and education program opening.

Hungry jackrabbits and cottontails which have already destroyed three acres of guayule planted in the farm area will meet their nemesis in three big greyhounds being imported from the Los Angeles racetracks to hunt down the long-eared pests. Now the guayule experimental project is looking for an expert kennel man who can care for the dogs. It will be a fully paid job.

SANTA ANITA

The "honeymoon train" to Jerome, Arkansas, which left two days ago included newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oyama. The new Mrs. Oyama was Women's Editor Asami Kawachi, writer of "Feminine Forum" in the Face-maker, while her husband, a well known newspaper journalist, served as city editor on the same paper. The couple met at the Face-maker office and were married in Pasadena last Wednesday.

Starting October 17, approximately 2000 Santa Anitans will be relocated to the Gila River Relocation Project, leaving behind approximately 500 key workers and 200 hospital cases to be removed by the end of this month.

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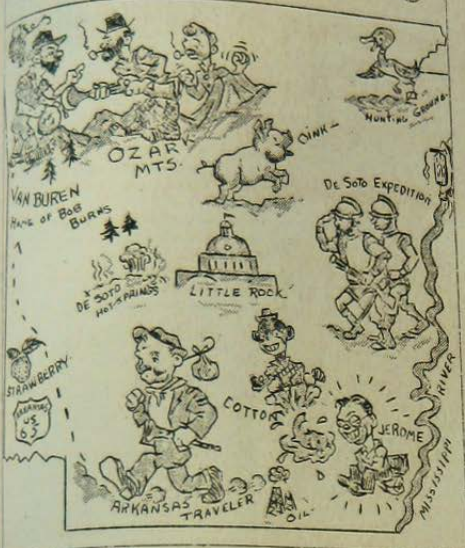
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WHERE WE'RE GOING



BETWEEN THE BARRACKS
 RICHARD ITANAGA

THE BETWEEN THE BARRACKS paths are cluttered with a conglomeration of lumber and packing material these October days as Center citizens make ready to fly over the rails to the forest primoval in faraway Arkansas. Vegetation and flowers which hid the stark brownness of the 28 by 100's are being ruthlessly torn down. The haunting sheet of baroness is fast covering this village which has housed the people whose ancestors fell out of cherry trees. Methinks the final movie starting Thursday, "The Ghost of Frankenstein," will be an appropriate way to write finis to life here; for it was the Frankensteinish condition the world is in that caused us to be brought here to leave our ghoulissh spirits to prowl about the grounds.

TRAVEL NEEDS LISTED BY DR. KIKUO TAIRA

SPECIAL NOTICES

(The following traveling suggestions were given by Dr. Kikuo Taira, monitor of the advance crew who is now in Jerome, Arkansas.)

1. Each person should bring a pillow and a blanket. The blanket should be washable or be easily cleaned as it will become very dirty before the trip is over. A bag for both will help keep the dirt out during the day.
2. Each person should get all his hand baggage in one bag or case as space will be at a premium during the regular movements.
3. Warm, comfortable clothing, no white, should be worn. Preferably loose clothing as they will have to be slept in. Do not wear good clothing as the dirt and grime is ever present and nothing can escape from it.
4. Women should wear bandanas to keep out the dirt from their hair. Al-

To speed up the forwarding of mail, residents should obtain several "Notice of Change of Address, Form 22-B" from the Center Post Office before leaving for Arkansas.

No tables, boxes, chairs or other articles in the Center may be used for packing cases without permission of the department head.

All books belonging to the Center must be returned to the Education Department immediately.

If a person should be seriously ill while enroute to Relocation Center, he will be given proper hospitalization at the nearest hospital, it was revealed.

All issue books must be obtained by October 12th.

Books borrowed from the Center library must be returned by the 12th.

A PULITZER PRIZE?....In the literary world, it is customary for awards and recognition to be given a writer for any noteworthy bit of work which has definitely contributed something to the world. So this so-called journalist unshamefully nominates himself for an honor. Yes, he has obviously done something for the dear raven-colored thatched, tear-shaped orbbed beings who occupied the confines where speedy nags once pranced---for without the constant flow of seasoned corn from the B. the B. bin, how could the citizenry have survived? The farmers' daughters, the hogs, the hog callers, yes even the Arkansans, bless them, will agree that corn is a necessary commodity for subsistence. Therefore dear consumers, wash your legs, brush your teeth and hair, then come before your benevolent provider and bow thankfully from your rice baskets---but don't kiss his feet for (shhh--have you heard?)--- he has atlatote's feet!

**HUGE CROWDS VIEW
SUGIMOTO'S WORKS**

Hundreds of Center residents have viewed the works of Henry T. Sugimoto, well known artist, now being displayed in the Visitors' Building.

The art exhibit consists of three large murals and 13 smaller paintings including scenery, still-life, and portraits depicting various phases of Center life.

The show will remain open tonight and Sunday between 7 to 8:30 p.m. and during visitors' hours for those with guests.

**MESS B DOORS TO
BE CLOSED SOON**

Mess Hall B will close its doors Monday afternoon with the departure of part of the block residents.

Those left in this section will hereafter eat at mess A but will not be required to move there.

Last crew members living in E-I-J-K sections must move to block A with arrangements to be made by Ernest Mishinaka.

**CENTER MUCH
BETTER THAN
WAS EXPECTED**

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each. A block is made up of 12 barracks, six in each row. Between each row of barracks, there is a mess hall, shower and lavatory and a recreation hall.

The whole place is laid out in a square with the schools, business enterprises and personnel office buildings occupying the center of the community. The large 175 bed hospital with modern equipment expected to be installed soon, is on the extreme south side of the square. The administration, military police and the warehouses are on the west side of the square.

BARRACKS ARE 120 FEET LONG
The barracks are 120 feet by 20 feet divided into six apartments. The largest rooms are 24 feet by 20 feet and are designed to hold at least five people; the medium sized units are to house four persons and the smallest two, three persons.

These living quarters are built on cement foundations, 6 inches high, are well constructed with tongue and groove flooring of cheap pine. The ceilings are of plaster board strips. The large end rooms have five large eight paned windows, the middle units, four windows and the small apartments, three. The doors like the window panes are painted white with the upper half of four pane glass.

HEATING ARRANGEMENTS MADE

Each room has a cemented space, 5 feet by 3 feet where coal burning heating units will be placed.

Shower facilities are modern and well-built. The women's shower has four modern square baths individually partitioned. The men's and women's wash lavatories are of the new porcelain type with chromium fixtures. The water is hard.

A modern sewerage system has been installed with the place wired for electricity.

**BUDDHIST
SERVICES**

Buddhist Sunday School services will be held at 8:30 tomorrow morning in Recreation Halls 1, 2 and 3 with Ayako Woguchi, Kinu Fujinaga and Tokiko Mishimura as the chanters in each group, respectively.

The service for the first generation will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Recreation Halls 1 and 3. Reverends Kai and Hirohata will be in charge at the latter hall, and Rev. Kono will deliver the sermon at Recreation Hall 1.

**SECTION A,
PART OF B
TO LEAVE**

(Cont'd from pg 1 Col 3)
similar to that taken by the first group.

The Personnel Department under C. I. Wohler is assigning the Centerites to the restors while the United States Public Health Service is supervising the assignment of pullman berths for infants and invalids.

Wohler requests all departees to report to Recreation Hall 1 by 12 o'clock noon on the day of embarkation.

**TRAVEL NEEDS
LISTED BY DR.
KIKUO TAIRA**

(Cont'd from pg 3 Col 1)
so bring several pair of anklets.

5. A box of cleansing tissues should be brought by both men and women. Cosmetics for the women should be kept to a minimum.

6. Small amounts of fresh fruits will be welcome as the prices for fruit are exorbitant as we come east.

PERSONAL

We wish to express our appreciation to the people for their acts of kindness and the beautiful floral offerings during our recent bereavement.

T. Ishida and family

**CHRISTIAN
SERVICES**

The Japanese worship service will be held in Recreation Hall 2 at 7:15 p.m. with Major M. Imai as the speaker.

Morning meditation will be held as usual at the Center Bowl from 6:15 a.m. tomorrow.

Christian Sunday schools will meet in the usual meeting places at 10 a.m. according to age for the last time here.

**DR. HARA JOINS
MEDICAL STAFF**

Dr. Mas Hara, formerly stationed at Tanforan Assembly Center, arrived here Wednesday afternoon, to join the Center medical staff.

Dr. Hara is well remembered by sports fans for his prowess on the basketball courts several years ago.

He will be stationed at Hospital 1.

SPORTS

SATURDAY
P. M.



WITH SAM
NAKAGAMA

No one by the papers what various centers have constituted football in their athletic programs. Teams that local fridders are itching to swing into action as soon as they get to the WRA center. We don't relish the idea of some pigskinners playing against each other since they operate best against slower opponents. There is likely to be mayhem committed when they oppose each other.

STAR HALFBACK FOR COLORADO State this year is Chet Maeda...they are Big Seven favorites....which reminds us that plenty of our gridiron gladiators have great backgrounds.... Fresno fans are really hyped-up over the State College eleven....We can still see the disappointment souring the faces of our Cal friends who insist that 20 seconds should be knocked off the regulation time after last week's game...we look to see that husky lad Mr. Takeo Kuniyige with added laurels when and if he gets back.. he is our choice for sugar beet topping champion if build has anything to do with it.

Scintillating on Camp Grant's fine eleven is a rised, Charles Kikuichi, formerly of L.A.C.C. and Whittier. Kikuichi starred earlier this year as third-sacker on the baseball nine at this army station. His teammates include Mickey Anderson, ex-U.S.C. great and Stan Stalos, Colorado flash.

Leaving next week with our best wishes is Ken Zenimura, the loquacious leader of Central California baseball for so many years. If love of the national game is any criterion for judging Americanism, "Zeni" just about epitomizes it.

With this last installment, this scribbler lays his pen aside for the last time for the regular edition. This is "thoity".

YANKEES, CARDINALS FIGHT TO 5-5 TIE FOR ZENIMURA

The "Yankees" and the "Cardinals" fought to a 5 to 5 tie in Ken Zenimura's appreciation game played at the Center Ball Park ground Wednesday evening.

BAY REGION FIVE TO CLOSE SEASON

The Bay Regioners will make their final appearance against the Bronco Babes in the game that will climax the Class A cage season tomorrow evening at 6:30 p.m.

The Coast five having lost their game to the Gauchos by two points, will be especially anxious to score a victory over the Broncos. George Norikane and Wo Domoto, the star players for the Bay Region quintet will be closely watched.

The Fowler Trojans meet the Monterey five tomorrow morning at 9.

North Fresno is favored to beat the Firemen in a B game slated for 8 a.m.

Any team wishing to play a basketball game after this Sunday must confer with the Recreation Office for court reservations. Teams must provide the officials after that date.

UNBEATEN FOWLER 'C' FIVE CLINCHES CASABA BUNTING

The Fowler Coes went undefeated and clinched the second round basketball league bunting when they drubbed the Selma Ramblers 54 to 22 Thursday.

George and Jack Tanska, Hurricane basket shooters tossed in 15 and 14 points and Seico Hanashiro made 10 digits.

For the Selma Ramblers, Ben Kawazaki, forward, netted seven baskets.

This game concluded the season for the Hurricanes who also won the first round championship.

A crowd of approximately 1500 witnessed the game played in honor of the veteran pastime who will leave shortly for Gila Relocation Center.

CEREMONY HELD FOR "ZENI"
At the end of the fourth inning, Sam Nakano of the Recreation Department expressed words of appreciation for Zenimura's untiring efforts in making baseball a huge success here. The fiery leader was presented an autographed baseball by Ed Teukimura, a veteran teammate, in behalf of the Recreation Department. John Hirohata responded for Zenimura.

The players for all star rosters were picked from the A class teams of the Center and were evenly matched in every department.

ALL STARS HIT HARD

Mac Kurima, Kaz Shibata, Kenji Imamura and Herb Kurima led the Cardinals' attack while Yuki Kawakami Shig Takamoto, Fred Yoshikawa, Iohiro Miyagawa and Hiro Tahara contributed hits to the "Yankee" cause.

Mac Kurima took the day's hitting honor with a triple and a double. Fred Yoshikawa of the Yankee hit a long double into left field in the fourth canto.

	R	H	E
Cardinals	5	7	6
Yankees	5	7	0

Asakawa and Fujita; S. Takamoto and F. Yoshikawa

THANKS

May I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all of those who helped to make my position as adult recreation director so much easier. It was indeed a pleasure to work with such a cooperative group of individuals.

--Sam Nakano

FRESNO SEXTETTE GARNERS SECOND ROUND GONFALON

The Fresno A's took both the first and second round championship in the girls basketball league by drubbing the Hanford sextette 23 to 8 Thursday.

Gladys Yeshikawa was the high scoring lady with eight points for Fresno. Sue Minakami made four digits for the losing Hanford team.

FLORIN CRUSHES FOWLER

Florin crushed the Fowler girls 20 to 12 in a one sided tilt. Eva Yoshida, veteran Florin southpaw, tossed in ten points and Clara Harada made six points for the losers.

North Fresno took its second beating from the Hanford B's, losing 26 to 21. Mats Nishi starred with 14 points. Mary Okada netted 19 points for the North Fresno's.

The Florin B's rolled over the Fowler B's, 14 to 7. Gladys Matsumoto was the high point lady with eight points. Kaye Teramoto of Fowler made three points.

GAUCHOS DEFEAT BAY REGION FIVE FOR SECOND TIME

The Bay Region five were upset for the second time by the Gauchos when they lost 34 to 32 in a third round basketball game.

George Ichiba, Gauchos, took the high scoring honors with ten points and teammate Hiro Kusakai made eight points. George Norikane and Hide Dakuzaku, Bay Region stars, tossed in nine and six digits, respectively.

JEEPS BEATEN BY BRONCOS

The Bronco Babes rolled over the Jeeps 36 to 23, with Jack Sakai and Mas Amano starring with ten and six points for the losing Jeeps. Ray Kato of the Broncos scored 18 points.

San Luis Obispo beat the Warehouse Crew 22 to 10 in the single B Basketball tilt. Tommy Urabe was the outstanding shooter for San Luis with 14 points.

HELP WANTED

Volunteer workers are vitally needed to alleviate shortage in the Mess Halls and in the Works Division stated C. E. Snelson and C. H. Merrill of the respective divisions.

All volunteer help will be appreciated and it will help us in the last minute rush, added Harry Condee who is in charge of freight loading.

TRAVELING TIPS

To avoid car sickness, the train windows will be opened when necessary but the residents are warned not to get their hands or head out of the windows.

If the residents fail to uphold this request of the train commander, the windows will be closed throughout the trip.

SOLDIER VISITS HERE

PFC Pedro Ouchida of Camp Crowder, Missouri is visiting Harold Ouchida and his family here. He arrived Wednesday afternoon on a ten days' furlough.

COEDS SPONSOR DANCE

The Fowler Coeds sponsored a "Farewell" dance last night at Recreation Hall 2. The invitational affair was attended by over 90 dancers.

MADERANS PLAN SOCIAL

The Madara Y.M.B.A. will hold a social tonight in Recreation Hall 3 from 7:30 o'clock.

EVACUATION HOP SLATED

An "Evacuation" dance will be sponsored by the Firemen tonight at the Butler Avenue Palladium beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

BROWNIES EAT WEENIES

The brownie girl scouts will have a weiner bake at the barbecue pit today from 5 p.m.

SCOUTS WANT BUGLES

Those who have Scout bugles belonging to Troop 16 in their possession not being used for mess calls are requested to turn them in tomorrow or Monday afternoon to Shunkichi Ego in the Scout office in Women's Shower Annex D.

DR. BENNETT OF BERKELEY WILL SPEAK

Dr. John Coleman Bennett, Professor of Theology at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, will be the guest speaker at the Christian English worship service to be held in the Center Bowl tomorrow evening at 8:15 o'clock. He will speak on "What does it mean to be a Christian?"

He will also speak at the discussion period to be held in Recreation Hall 2 at 2:30 p.m. "What is God Doing" is the discussion topic.

Dr. Bennett has written a number of books on religion and has attended many of the world wide Christian conferences.

THREE ADDITIONS ARRIVE THIS WEEK

Two girls and a boy were born in Hospital 2 this week.

The daughters, Joyce Nuniko and Amie Umiko, were presented to Mr. and Mrs. George Kanase and Mr. and Mrs. Mamoru Noguchi Tuesday and Thursday, respectively.

The Kanases were formerly of Fresno while the Noguchis came from Tulare.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Yamamoto, formerly of Sacramento received the boy, Kenji Larry, on Tuesday.

The infants are the Kanases and Yamamotos' second and the Noguchis' first child.

LIBRARIANS COLLECT MAGAZINES FOR TRIP

Are you wondering how you will occupy your time during the train ride to Jerome?

The Center library staff is going to attempt to alleviate much of the boredom during the long journey by preparing bundles of magazines which will be placed on each car.

Residents who have magazines they would like to donate for this purpose are asked to bring them as soon as possible to the library at E or at I.