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BEYOND Our Barracks

A "Copy-cat Capers" was held at Stockton Center with couples wearing matching clothes of some kind.... The most original pair was king and queen for the evening.....Centerites were treated to their first up-to-date movie--"Captain Fury"....

Thirteen nurses' aides received their American Red Cross nursing certificates at Santa Anita Center...Seven of the twenty-three barbers are women.....High chairs are being constructed to facilitate baby feeding....

Fresno Center residents still are waiting to see their first movie...Quoting from "Between the Barracks" column--"There were no females telling the men how to cut meat and prepare the vegetables, for skirts are taboo in this "No Woman's Land....it's still a Man's World...Amen." Girls, we'll take into consideration a man wrote that column.

A "Musiquiz" program was held at Tulo Lake Relocation Center...Prizes were awarded for the questions missed by the experts...A \$4,000 damage was done by fire to Canteen #3...

Pomona Center began relocation Saturday to the Heart Mountain Center, Park County, Wyoming...The first group of workers had left the Sunday before...A Pomona Center News correspondent wrote of the train trip--"Food is served to you in the dining car, no carrying of dishes back and forth..Seats are kinda hard to sleep in, but managing okay..."

In the second all-center golf tournament held at North Portland, Oregon Center, Tom Aoki was first shooting a 66...A complete Japanese musical program was presented...Feature attraction was a selection of four kotos...

BABY BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yokoyama, formerly of Reedley, of H-1-12, became proud parents of a baby girl, Tues., August 18. She was the couple's 1st child and weighed 6 pounds 2 ounces.

The Managing Editor says:

THIS IS 30 TO MERCEDIAN

This is our last regular issue of THE MERCEDIAN. With this we say "sayonara" (farewell) to everything which we came to regard as our home. Our stay here has been short. Our associations have been fleeting. To most of us this temporary camp life has brought many inconveniences.

But--in bidding "sayonara" to everything which remains presents Merced Assembly Center, we cannot push back the wee little tears gushing out of our dark brown eyes.

Our little prayer to you--our Caucasian friends is: Forgive us for our many errors and untutored commissions. The scenes of our life may change, but the background of humane and understanding treatment accorded us here will forever remain as a testament for fair dealing Americans.

Oski Taniwaki



MESS HALL CONTEST Winners

Under the capable direction of Ted Tanaka, chief cook, the B Mess Hall workers won the coveted "E" for excellence banner in the third contest. The flag will fly over the B hall for the next two weeks. The championship crew will enjoy a chicken dinner as their reward.

The winner of the final two week contest will be permanent possessors of the banner, according to Steve Schramm, Mess and Lodging Supervisor.

CHAMPIONSHIP CREW

Ted Tanaka, chief cook; Tets Morimoto, head waiter; Masaki Murakami, Takayo Yotsuya, Yoshio Fujimoto, Hisao Akiyama, Eddie Miura, George Nakagawa, Jimmie Kimura, Yoshio Babe, George Kimoto, second cooks; M. Ushijima, G. Hashioka, Ben Yenokida, first cooks; Hideo Fukagawa, Jiro Yotsuya, Hatsuo Miyako, Goro Kai, Hideo Noda, Honry Shimada, Jimmie Inouye, Sueyo Kimura, Tadao Abe, Manabu Kimura, T. Kawashima, Takohiko Ujita, Dishwashers.

June Atagi, Shizue Fukui, Sotsuko Furuno, Toruko Hashimoto, Kiyoko Kuwatani, Evelyn Miyashima, Tsuruko Morita, Haruko Murakami, Takako Nakagawa, Lily Suyenaga, Eiko Babe, Helen Hamda, Yuri Ito, Lois Kawamura, Toshiko Matsuda, Helen Nakamura, Sumiko Nakano, Lily Noda, Matayo Saisho, Anna Udo, Muniko Udo, Ada Yamasaki, waitresses; Viola Shibusawa, clerk.

Edna Maeda, baby waitress; Dorothy Kawamoto, Isamu Iwanaga, Yoshiye Kimura, Shig Nakamura, Mitsuyo Yamaguchi, Kimiyo Maruyama, Hatsuko Tomita, Yukiyo Uyokubo, T. Shimozawa, Niki Takasawa, kitchen help. Minoru Matsuda, Ray Yonemura, flunkies; Mitsuo Tsujihara, Grove Yoshiwara, Timekeepers.

"GRAND FINALE" TO BE HELD SUNDAY NIGHT.

The Following Reporter
Walter J. Sako

A colossal review of the Center's talents will be presented at the "Grand Finale" Sunday evening from 8-10 o'clock at the Grandstand. Following this, refreshments will be served to all residents by the Home and Lodging Division. Paul Higeki will act as Master of Ceremonies.

The opening number of the "Grand Finale" will be the "Star Spangled Banner," played by the orchestra. Musical numbers for the evening's entertainment will be provided by the dance band, mixed chorus, the band, orchestra and the girls' glee club.

Added attractions will be vocal solos by Mayme Kishi and Sumi Kawamura, the Men-boys, and a number by the Pre-school Nursery children.

Dances will include a tap dance, group odori, ballet-fur dance, Spanish dance and a comical odori.

The mixed chorus, orchestra, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will combine in the final number.

Acknowledgments to the departments who have contributed to the building of the Center will also be made at this time.

"BYE WORKERS" FLING SET!

Professor Paul "Waldo" Higeki and his Stardusters will provide the music for tomorrow night's dance.

Dancing will be from 8-11 p.m. at the Administration Building. The Recreation Department will be in full charge of the dance.

Stags and stagettes are welcome.

(Notice: The following Saturday will be an "ON TO COLLEGE" dance.)

"Road to Singapore"

A comical and romantic picture is billed for tonight at the Grandstand from 8:45 p.m.

The picture is titled, "Road to Singapore," starring Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour. Happy-go-lucky carnival men, barnstorming their way through Africa to raise passage money, join a safari of two girls.

Added attractions will be a short subject and a cartoon. Community singing will be from 8:15 p.m.

WHAT AN ENTHUSIAST!

An individual in preparation for the kite contest was seen flying a kite at 11:30 p. m. last week in Ward B.

Wonder who that night hawk could have been? ALWAYS REMEMBER

Here are a few amusing phrases:

"No matter how thick or thin you slice it, it's still baloney!"

"No peace on earth with the women, no life anywhere without them."

"Even the woodpecker owes his success to the fact that he uses his head."

"Be careful what you say or you go out of the door and meet yourself coming."

"It's hard enough t' git somethin' fer somethin' t' say nothin' o' somethin' fer nothin'."

WHAT'S WRONG

(Overheard at Grandstand) Jack Hoshizu of C-4-15 was lying on the seats with his shoes off.

Graco Yamaguchi of C-5-7, "Get your feet off, will you?"

Jack, "I changed my stockings this morning."

Graco, "I don't care, you didn't change your feet."

Your reporter is curious to know what's wrong with Jack's feet.

TO MY READERS:

I wish to take this opportunity to extend my sincerest wishes and thanks to the residents of this Center for their full cooperation in carrying on my duties on the news staff.

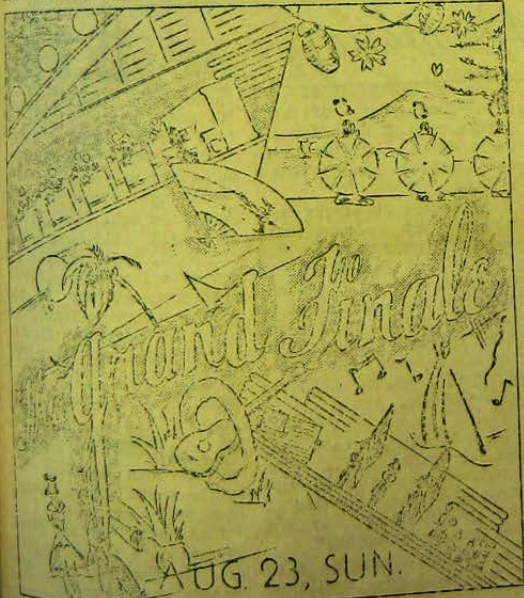
I sincerely hope that my publicity for talent nights, movies, and dances served to inform you properly where to go for the best in entertainment.

I tried to the best of my ability to serve this Center as a whole and not as various small communities.

This is my final column and I hope it has been amusing, entertaining and informative.

We, the news staff, will begin our souvenir issue. I sincerely hope to be able to serve you in Colorado.

Sincerely, yours,
Suyco Sako.



GUEST Fem-a-lites

Church NOTICES

Christian

By LILY SHOUJI
 "Stop aside, you honory ole hombre." Let's have a little more respect for the fams. It seems as though the fairer sex are taking a assing from the stronger sex. Don't know why? Just rudeness I guess.

OVERHEARD
 HE: "Go away, you give me a headache."
 SHE: "Well, you're no aspirin tablet to me."

Perfect lips are part of a lovely face. When you put on your make up you are actually creating a portrait. With the right cosmetics skillfully applied, you can bring out your face as you wish it were.
 Of all your features, the

mouth most lends itself to make up. And of all make-up faults, a bad mouth is most disastrous to your appearance. Next to your eyes the mouth is the most revealing of personality and mood.

Perfect lips, whether smiling or not, must be a part of a lovely face; don't give the impression of an ornament applied at random.
 Let's keep 'em smiling. In times of weariness or discouragement never let your mouth droop at the corners (or you'll be a drip droop, drop.) When things are worst find something to smile about. Keep your chin up and keep 'em smiling. What "cha" say?

A special farewell service will be presented at the Young People's Church in the Administration Building from 10-11 o'clock Sunday morning. Rev. Hirota will deliver the sermon.

The Choir, under the direction of Moyme Kishi, will render several sacred request numbers. Included will be a vocal selection, "O Lord, Most High," sung by Ben Kuraya.

Isaac Matsushige is program chairman.

Buddhist

Today is the deadline for those who wish to attend the last gathering of Bussois which will be held Monday evening. Those interested are asked to register with their district leaders immediately. A nominal fee of 20¢ will be charged.

Devotional will be from 7:30-8 p.m. in the Administration Building. Games, entertainment, social singing and refreshments will follow. Joan Suooka is in charge.

Service will be conducted at the Grandstand from 9-11 o'clock Sunday morning.

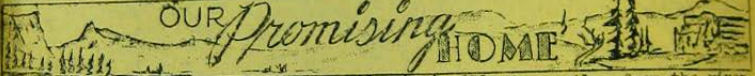
Letters to the Editor....

TO THE EDITOR:
 The Sanitation Department takes this opportunity to thank everyone for cooperating to take care of this center in such a splendid way. Ward H was particularly complimented by the Works Division.

We also wish to thank the people who have volunteered to clean the toilets, laundry and shower rooms. Among them are Mrs. Fumi Kawasaki of H Ward and Mr. K. Andow

of A Ward and several others.-----T. Konno, Head of Sanitation Department

TO THE EDITOR:
 We want to take this opportunity to thank the public for the cooperation given us at last Saturday's dance. Also thanks for the 173 packages of gum, 10 candy bars, 33 cigars and 46 packages of cigarettes which we presented to the Military Police stationed outside.-----The "Yogores"



by MIYE YAMASAKI
 If some of us are bothered with the fear of being bored to death on the 60 hour train ride to Colorado

the Recreation Department has trained a number of people in each ward in the art of entertainment. Some of the diversions planned are games, community singing, paper craft, calisthenics and nursery children entertainment, etc.

The library will prepare a bundle of magazines for each trainload. It seems as if they think of everything, don't they?

From reliable sources we have the following enlightenment on the layout of the WRA Center: "The camp site

is on a knoll about one mile South-west of the little town of Granada. It overlooks a beautiful irrigated valley about 4 miles wide.

"There are 30 blocks contemplated at present with about 275 persons to the block. Each block has 12 barracks. Each barrack will have to house about 23 persons. There are two rooms of each of the following dimensions: 16' X 20', 20' X 20', and 24' X 20' in each barrack.

"Each block has a mess hall, laundry, wash room and recreation hall. The construction is more substantial than anything I saw on the Coast. However the floors are brick."

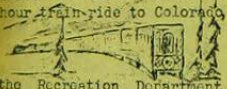
Now that we know the site of our new home, we will be

three miles from the river, but near a tiny intermittent stream called Wolf Creek. Being so far from the river may mean that we won't use river water for household use. And living on a hill will mean better drainage, opportunities for artistic landscaping, better wind movement (may be too good), better climate, and ideal for astronomy fields.

Incidentally, the 2000

who'll join us there will be the Santa Clara groups from Santa Anita.

This will be the first experience a lot of us will have in turning back our watches on the train.



August 21, 1942
SPORTS
Scraps
West Michigan

MODESTO BROWNS SCORE UPSET OVER TURLOCK

YOLO COPS INITIAL WIN

GENERAL THIBTS
WALNUT GROVE AND HOW!
 Odd how the Delta Region produces caseba artists of superior caliber. Is it the weather or what?....The two Class A Delta quintets, the Delatans and the Lanars, are keeping the heels of the Delatans Sekuras and may yet overtake them. The Delatans Bebes are undefeated with only Yuba before the present, while the Ceas are up to their big brother by topping their class. The W. G. lassios show definite class and are now the undisputed queens. Even the retired Walnut Grove Progs are balanced a good third in their division.... Yours truly and the Mercedian Scoopers with their unwarred no-win record could certainly use some of that Delta talent.

WONING SOME
 Talking about Hank Little's basketeeering, Ted Matsabe of the Yogores and Aki Yamazumi of Sopol scored 23 and 22 points respectively in one game!....Tosh Shuniku, is undoubtedly the best all around basketeer in M.A.C. With his clever ball handling, dead eye, and good teamwork an all around star in any league.

LEW'S WATCH IT
 There's only a few more games scheduled here, how about less beefing at the "refs" who deserve credit for sweltering in the heat and heat to keep the games on a sportsmanship level. Lately, team members have been unduly critical toward the refs.....A complaint to the Athletic Directors is to exercise greater care in selecting referees, especially in crucial tilts where prejudice and favoritism could easily rule.

BASEBALL
 The second half has certainly proved a bang up affair with upsets, surprises and disappointments coming all at once. Both the American and National League are tied up and the outcome is still uncertain at this late hour...

QUESTIONS
 Yolo Phillics deserve bou-

The Yolo White Sox broke into the win column last Wednesday, when they rallied in the sixth inning, scoring 9 runs to down the Livingston Red Sox 18-16.

Red Sox went ahead in the 4th 11-7 when they put across 6 runs, but were nipped by the timely Yolo rally. The Yolo men used 3 chuckers, while the Livingston outfit went one better, using four.

Livingstonians collected 12 hits to the Yoloans 11. Red Sox second sacker Mits Tsujihara leading with 3 out of 4. L. Yoshino got 2 out of 3.

For the Yolo men, Nakamura got 2 out of 3, and S. Furukawa got 2 out of 4.



quiet for dumping two top notchers, Walnut Grove and the touted Livingston Dodgers----which goes to prove that anything happens in a ball game----Such sticking! Eddie Kawaacke's five for five record plastered in the Sopol-Celusa fracas.... A tough one to lose----Dick Yamachi's three hitter for Celusa against Walnut Grove.....The other extreme is a unique performance hung up by Sopol's Jack Kawaacka, last Sunday, when he tossed 16 straight balls without a single striko---and Sopol still won!....

BEES
 The Bees take the cup for "a thriller." Modesto met Sopol, went nine innings, featured two homers, (something in B competition) double plays, squeeze plays and unprecedented baseball strategy. Modesto triumphed, snapping Sopols nine game streak.

SO LONG
 With advance contingent leaving for Granada soon, Sportsdem will be minus many athletes, but only for a few days before we all join up again so "no worry."

The Modesto Browns, who in the previous week staged an upset win over Sopol B's staged another surprise last Wednesday when they dropped the undefeated Turlock Senators 9-6. This puts all three teams into a first place tie with 4 wins and 1 loss.

Turlock outfit the Modestan 10-7. Chucker Johnny Nizawa was the high man for the day with 3 singles in 4 tries. E. Wada and T. Fujimoto got 2 out of 4.

For the Browns, ace hurler M. Hashimoto got 2 out of 4 as did S. Uyekubo.

BATTERIES: Modesto, Geo. Matsuda, M. Hashimoto and M. Hamada; Turlock, J. Nizawa and J. Taketa.

ODDS and ENDS

SCHOOL CLOSURE
 Manager H. Black will deliver the closing address for Merced Center school students at the Center square, 10 a.m. Sunday. The public is cordially invited to attend.

LIBRARY NOTICE
 All residents are asked to return books to the Center Library by Monday, August 24. Owners of these books who were so kind to lend them are asked to call for them by Monday.

For the convenience of workers, the library will be open on Sunday from 2-4 p.m. Tomorrow is the last day that the library is open to the public.

PRE-SCHOOL
 Mothers of the Pro-School Nursery children are asked to bring their children near the Sumo pit before the "Grand Finale" program on Sunday night. (7:15 p.m.) They will participate in the school number.

FIRST CLOTHING DELIVERED
 Tsurukichi Nagoshi, of I-2-10, received the first order of clothing which was delivered to him at 10:10 a.m. Thursday. Only one item, a dress, was not included and will come later.

TWO 'B' GAMES TODAY

The Mercedian Sports

by Mack and Walt

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CAGE RESULTS!

This week's basketball results were as follows:

A LEAGUE

34 MODESTO---COURTLAND 29
11 J. Iwanaga J. Hoahizu 13

30 WAL. GROVE---K.K. LANE 29
14 J. Tsuruta M. Ishigaki 14

B LEAGUE

45 YOGORES---YUBA CITY 14
13 T. Watanabe S. Nabeta 5

26 WAL. GROVE---MODESTO 18
9 N. Hamada A. Yahiro 6

31 CORTEZ---SEBASTOPOL 15
11 H. Kajioka J. Otsuki 4
H. Taniguchi 4

INDUSTRIAL

27 MODESTO---RAJBEING RECS 26
8 K. Miyoshi K. Sanui 9

21 W.G. POOPS MERCEDIAN 16

10 C. Kawamura J. Takeda 3

39 TIMEKEEPERS NIGHTHAWKS 34
14 K. Takahashi R. Kitagawa 14

C LEAGUE

21 LIVINGSTON---YUBA CITY 14
8 M. Enomoto T. Miura 14

29 WALNUT GROVE---CORTEZ 18
12 R. Kawamura 2. Neda 4
11 K. Yamaga R. Maeda 4

19 YOLO-----YUBA CITY 18
8 T. Miura G. Hinoki 7

18 LIVINGSTON MODESTO 18
8 K. Kimura J. Yamaseki 6

17 YUBA CITY CORTEZ 18
5 T. Miura R. Maeda 5

GIRLS' LEAGUE

28 WALNUT GROVE---SEPOL 18
7 C. Takeo E. Sugiyama 6

In the fast American League baseball game today the strong Sebastopol nine, which was upset by a scrappy Modesto team the previous week, will meet the fast improving Livingston Red Sox. Sam Muto's club has yet to get a win, but it hardly looks possible here.

In the nightcap, the first place Modesto Browns will tangle with another "no win" team in the Yolo White Sox. Modesto should take this one in stride.

On Saturday one of the top teams, the Turlock Senators, will meet the fiery Cortez Tigers, who are fresh from a win over the Merced Yankees. With Sunday featuring all A games, the Monday's Turlock-Sebastopol and Modesto-Merced tilts seem highly improbable with vacation close at hand.

DODGERS Downed!

The Colusa Reds played above their heads yesterday to down the mighty Livingston Dodgers, 10-7, in a surprise upset in the National League.

For the Reds, Al M. Ishigaki hurled and E. Takamatsu caught.

Speed ball artist, Gil Tenji and K. Ohki formed the Dodger's batteries.

Koe Hinoki of the Reds, and Ken Ohki of the Dodgers were tied for high willow wilding, both getting 2 out of 3.

YANKS WIN 3RD

Behind 8-7 in the last of the 7th canto, the Merced Yanks put up a supreme rally yesterday, scoring 4 runs to dump the favored Marin Athletics 11-8. Marin collected 10 hits to Merced's 9. A. Kato of the Athletics pounded out 3 safeties in 4 tries. Heavy stick work and high-class fielding was turned in by Futo Masuoka who got a double and a triple in 3 tries.

G. Yoshida of the Yanks got 2 out of 3.

Rancho Kitagawa and Tom Ogino for the Yanks, and S. Hirano, F. Kinoshita and N. Iwano of the Athletics formed the batteries.

SEPOL INDIANS TRIUMPHS OVER MARIN ATHLETICS

Kasai Hurls Three Hitter

Last Thursday in one American League game, the Sebastopol Indians bested the Marin Athletics 5-4. Scoring 3 in the initial canto, the Indians led until the 4th when Marin went ahead 4-3. The Indians then crossed 2 runs in the 5th, which culminated the scoring for the day.

Athletic hurler, T. Kasai pitched a superb ball game, allowing only 3 hits, while his teammates slammed out 7 off Hide Noda's delivery. Marin backstop N. Kuratani banged out a triple and a double in 3 tries while J. Yotabe got a triple and 2 singles in 4 tries.

TIGERS WIN!

The Cortez Tigers went on a rampage for their 3rd win after 2 straight defeats, downing the Merced Yankees 12-3.

Yuk Yotsuya went the route for the Tigers allowing only 7 hits, while his teammates collected 11 off 4 Yank hurlers.

G. Yoshida, Merced catcher banged out a circuit clout and a double in 3 tries to lead in the days' batting.

HOBBY SHOW

George Shizuru, formerly of Modesto, of B-2-10, was announced as the grand prize winner in the model airplane contest held recently. He received a gas model kit which was presented by Joe Heib of the Merced Cyclery.