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TALENT REVUE SUCCESS; PERFORMANCE LAUDED

Packed beyond capacity, to the point of turning away a crowd, the first of the center's weekly Talent Reviews made its debut with flying colors last night.

Despite the makeshift equipment, the program was run smoothly. Credit is due to the actors and to Dave K. Yamakawa, dramatics director, who promises an even better one next week.

The show was shifted to the Center Store with the porch as an improvised stage to accommodate the crowd.

NATIVE SON

A pound boy was born to Mrs. K. Kishiyama of Hollywood, 285 13th St., at 8:47 Thursday night. This is their first baby and the center's first "native" child, Dr. Haseoka said.

MINE COTS ORDERED, NIXT URGES CARE

Steel cots and other equipment are now under order in the purchasing department, Bernard Nixt, supply officer announced, and will be distributed upon arrival.

Canvas cots issued to the last contingent, need special care, urged Nixt. Any fault found with them must be repaired immediately. Notify the maintenance department of any tear or parts needing repairs and a serviceman will be sent to fix them.

TRIGGS SUCCEEDS SPENCER AS CENTER MANAGER

Called into the service of his country as a Major in the engineering department of the Fourth Army Command, Raymond D. Spencer, manager of the center, left Tuesday to receive instructions from offices in San Francisco.

He was succeeded by Clayton E. Triggs, former manager at Mansanar, who assumed Spencer's position as of Wednesday.

The new executive wished to convey his salutations to members of the administration and the enrollees of the camp. "Evidence from reports from the managements show the co-operation which exists here in the Pomona Center.

"There will be no changes in the administrative personnel," Triggs said, "and we hope, the organization of self government, with the aid of the administration, will soon be in operation."



R. D. Spencer, now with the Army Engineering Corps.

R. D. SPENCER BIDS FAREWELL

"I wish to thank all the folks of this center for their consideration and willingness to work out together, all our many problems."

With the above statement, Raymond D. Spencer, Pomona Center's manager since its infancy, left for San Francisco to do his part in Uncle Sam's army.

The former manager was commissioned a Major in the Army (cont'd on p. 2 col. 3)

VISITING PASSES AVAILABLE - LAUGHLIN

Residents desiring friends' visiting passes are asked to see Alvin Laughlin, Welfare Director of this center.

Passes will be mailed to outside friends specifically denoting the day and hour for visiting. Daily visits are from 3-5; Sundays, 11-9 p.m.

I AM AN AMERICAN

BY MAY HORIUCHI

Today, May 17, 1942, will be observed throughout the United States as "I am an American Day." Let us all join the 130,000,000 patriotic Americans who, for the past two years have observed this day. The fact that this nation is at war with Japan should not shake our loyalty to the United States.

The Policy

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POMONA CENTER NEWS

The POMONA CENTER NEWS is a twice weekly newspaper edited and published by the members of the Pomona Assembly Center, Pomona, California.

It is the policy of the POMONA CENTER NEWS to act as a medium of information and expression for the center.

We plan to cooperate in full with the Administration and all of its branches and to serve the people of the camp, keeping them informed as to the news and features that will be of interest to them. Our purpose will be to promote harmony among the people, as well as between the people and the administration.

It will be our aim to make the stay of everyone just a little better. So that the POMONA CENTER NEWS may reach its people in a closer manner, an editorial will be published about once a week. Features and special columns will also be presented soon.

The POMONA CENTER NEWS will be open for suggestions through a "Letters to the Editor" department, which will be open in the near future.

In this celebration, citizens of every race will take part but we, the Niseis, in the various scattered centers will be standing apart.

We have been taught that Americanism rests on the fundamentals of freedom, tolerance, equality, and equal opportunity and patriotism. These are bright shining emblems, and in our faith let us refuse to believe that the clouds passing over these emblems for us now will always darken our days.

We know that the many Niseis that are called to armed service and those that are volunteering freely and willingly in reception center work must hold to that faith. For with that belief we can truly be glad that we are a part of America and may lift our heads and our hearts and proclaim even in our separation, "I am an American" with the 130,000,000 others.

Americanism means vigilance of rights to liberty and freedom. Let us prepare ourselves to be ready when the time comes to defend and to uphold for the sake of America herself, the principles on which she has built a nation.

Editor's Note.....

This editorial was written by May Horiuchi, 15 year old student of Hollywood High School, member of the Pomona Center, for "I am an American Day."

Engineering corps and received his first orders when he reported to his command yesterday, Friday, May 22.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota, the 41 year old civil engineer left that state to come to California "for no other reasons", Spencer said, "than climatic ones."

Upon his arrival in California, Spencer began work in the State Highway division, worked for the city of Los Angeles, and then for the Federal Government as State Director of Operations.

"Since it is impossible for me to thank all of the people individually," Spencer said, "I would like to take this opportunity to convey my thanks to everyone through the CENTER NEWS. With the excellent workers in camp, and the able administrative staff, now to work under Mr. Triggs, I have all the assurances in the world that this camp will be one of the most successful."

Only firemen will be allowed outside when the siren sounds as congestion prevents speed and efficiency.

ADJUSTMENT BOARD MADE UNDER LAUGHLIN

According to Alvin Laughlin, welfare director, an adjustment board will soon be established with representative citizens from each section of the community.

Duties of the board will be to aid the residents in their daily life problems and to handle complaints and requests.

Editorial Board...

- K. Hori
- E. Tokeshi
- F. Kake
- Y. Amano
- M. Oka
- M. Horiuchi
- ARTIST... E. Ishigo

MAIL, PACKAGES LEFT UNCLAIMED INCREASING DAILY

Many packages sent by friends to the residents of Pomona Center, are unclaimed. C. L. Breer, head of the mail unit, exclaimed yesterday. These unclaimed for packages are to be claimed temporarily at the Police Station, General delivery, located at 34c 4th St. is in charge of all unclaimed for mail and will be opened from 9 until 5. Mail is also distributed by mail carriers.

CENTER STORE OPENS NEXT WEEK

Opening of the Center Store will be within the coming week, C. L. Breer, Center Store Manager, claimed yesterday.

The store will carry such supplies such as ice cream, candy, soft drinks, and tobacco. Prices for these articles will be determined by the Army, he said.

Drugs, sundries, fruits, cakes, and cookies may be added to the supplies later.

It is hoped that barber and beauty shops, dry cleaners and shoe repair stores will be added at a later date.

BANK OPENS IN POST OFFICE

A Postal Savings Bank is now open at the Post Office for residents of this center, C. L. Breer said.

This bank is controlled by the U.S. Government, and will be open to those who want to deposit money or send money orders.

TYPHOID, SMALLPOX SERVICES MANDATORY US PHS WARNS

Typhoid inoculations and smallpox vaccinations are being given to enrollees at Barrack 267 11th Street from 7 to 9 in the evening under the supervision of Dr. Hanaka.

Each center resident will be vaccinated once, and inoculated three times at one week intervals.

SECOND DANCE TONITE IN 248

The next semi-weekly dance will be held at the Recreation Hall 248 tonight at 8 p.m.

The hall was filled to capacity last Wednesday night at the first dance of the series planned by the Recreation Department. Rev. and Mrs. Uncora were chaperons.

Hitoshi Yonemura, assistant director of recreation, and Fuki-ko Odanaka, director of women's activities, are in charge of these dances which will be held every Wednesday and Saturday nights.

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY SERVICES

Religious services are being co-ordinated under Alvin Laughlin, welfare director.

Several Protestant denominations will be obliged to hold services jointly.

This arrangement, however, does not apply to the Catholic, Buddhist, Episcopalian, or the Seventh Day Adventists groups.

Plans are being formed for a community Christian Church. Those who represent various Protestant

The U. S. Public Health Service warns that the above services are mandatory and that people MUST present themselves promptly.

All children under 2 years will be vaccinated but not inoculated. Pregnant women, convalescents, hospital inmates and infants under six months will be neither inoculated nor vaccinated.

Persons who have already been inoculated previous to their arrival here must produce a written certificate to that effect from their doctors or they will be required to submit to a new injection.

denominations are:
 Adj. Abo of S. F. Salvation Army; Rev. Horikoshi of Hollywood Presbyterian Church; Rev. Kaneko, S.F. Reformed Church; Rev. Sano, S. P. Baptist Church; Rev. K. Uncora, L.A. Christian Church; Rev. Yokoi, El Monte Methodist Church.

Schedule for religious services to be held Sunday, May 24, as obtained from Director Laughlin's office, follow:

- Community Church
- Barrack 35 5th Street
- Sunday School 8:30-9:15 a.m.
- Japanese Service 10:45-11:30 a.m.
- Song Service 3-4 p.m.
- Barrack 249 19th Street
- English Service 11:30 a.m.
- Other Religious Groups, Barrack 249 19th St. 9:30 a.m.
- Catholic Service (Barrack 35) 8:30-9:15 a.m.
- Buddhist Church 9:15-10:15 a.m.
- Buddhist Young People