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WAR DEAD HONORED POMONA CENTER OBSERVES MEMORIAL DAY

Keeping alive tradition, the Pomona Assembly Center had its own Memorial Day services Saturday afternoon at the athletic field.

Whigara Komsted, master of ceremonies, introduced Clarence Urm, Legionnaire, who led the assembly in "The Pledge to the Flag". Rev. E. Thours gave the invocation, followed by the singing of "God Bless America" with June Yoshino as soloist.

Clayton E. Triggs, as-

sembly manager, gave a short talk, and then in-



troduced Dr. T. Takayama, another Legionnaire, who delivered the Memorial Day address. The "Nisei Creed" written by Mike Kasaoka, national secretary of the Japanese American Citizens League, was read by Mary Louise Seo.

Meditation for all soldiers of all wars who have given up their lives was observed for one minute. Taps was sounded by two buglers of Uncle Sam's Army.

NEW MESS SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Mess halls are to be open one hour only for each meal, Forrest Brown, chief steward, announced.

There will be no first advanced feeding. Service will be continuous in all mess halls.

Each person is to go to the mess hall designated on his or her tag.

Meal hours are: breakfast, 7-8 a.m.; dinner, 12-1 p.m.; supper, 5-6 p.m.

Babies under the age of five, elderly people, and workers wearing badges will be admitted into mess halls first, it was said.

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RECLAIM BLANKETS

Extra blankets issued to the Center residents are now being reclaimed by the housing department, Douglas Malin, superintendent of Lodging announced.

SOUTHERN SPORTS GROUP GIVES \$50 TO CENTER

The Pomona Assembly Center was in receipt of a \$50 check from the Southern California Japanese Athletic Union, according to W. Eugene Dimon, director of the recreation department.

The money is to be used to buy non-athletic equipment here.

OPENING OF SCHOOL IS POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MONDAY

Because of an acute lumber shortage that prohibited the making of the school benches, the opening of classes has been postponed until

Monday, June 8th.

All that day all children between the ages of 4-10 registered for school classes will report to Barrack 248 at 9 a.m.

CHECK-UP ON WORKERS STARTED

Double checking of worker's time through a two-times-a-day field checking has gone under effect as of June 1, the Timekeeper's Office announced.

Workers have been urged to be sure the time card has been filed in the personnel office. Without these orders, workers' time is not filed, and cannot be credited, the office said.

Blacklisting of workers not at their respective positions when the time keeper checks will be done in the personnel department, and new positions will not be open to those so listed.

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ATHLETIC FIELD

Athletic field will be open at 10 a.m. on weekdays and 1 p.m. on Sundays.

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BUSINESS IS GOOD AT CENTER STORE

Although opened for only a week, the Center Store is doing a booming business.

Up to the present 12,541 bottles of pop, milk nickels, candy bars, and 1,631 packages of cigarettes have been sold.

Candy, soda, and ice cream sold like "hot cakes" and that explains why the shelves became empty within half an hour last Sunday, said Center Store Manager Charles Brueer.

He also asked that the Center Store compound be kept clean by putting the discarded paper in the cans provided.

USE OF WASH TUBS

In order to lessen inconveniences, women are asked not to do any lengthy soaking of clothes in the Laundry Rooms. The Auxiliary Police announced that the laundry tubs are to be used only for washing and rinsing clothes.

JADE RING LOST

A jade ring of sentimental value was lost by Clarence Sonoda of 316C 26th Street last week.

Finder please notify either the Police station or Sonoda.

200 SIGN-UP FOR CLASS IN EMBROIDERY

Expecting only about 50 pupils to register for embroidery classes, Isaharu Nagahama, instructor, was surprised when over 200 ambitious young girls and women were signed up.

Classes are held every Monday and Thursday from 10:30 to 4:30 p.m. Embroidery material may be purchased, it was said.

Nagahama was formerly embroidery instructor at the Ruth Willard School in Troy, New York. For many years he was connected with the Pacific Sewing School in Los Angeles.

7TH BABY HERE BORN TO SAN JOSE COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Saito, formerly of San Jose, became proud parents of their second daughter, May Itzuko, born Saturday, May 30.

May Itzuko is the first San Jose baby born here. Her birth occurred the day following her parents' arrival. She is the Center's seventh "native child" and the second girl born at the hospital.

Dr. Wilfred Hanaoka reported that both mother and child are doing well.

SIX NEW BASSINETS

Six brand new baby bassinets which replaced the make-shift clothes basket cribs were eagerly received by the hospital attendants.

Haruo Otamura, however, said that clothes basket cribs will be used in case of bassinet shortage.

Trucks and other vehicles are restricted to 10 miles an hour.

DANCE BAND FORM

That music emanating from barracks 208 during morning hours is evidence of a dance band being formed by leader George Igawa. The band will make its debut on next Friday's Vedril Show.

The band is composed of Tetsu Buscho, clarinet and sax; Toyonobu Itate and George Igawa, sax; Yone Fukui and Bill Furukawa, trumpets; Frank Hayami, guitar; Eiko Matsuno, piano; and Jimmie Akiya, drums, with Juno Yoshino as vocalist.

More instrumentalists can be used, says Igawa. Those who play trumpet, trombone or sax and are interested in joining this band may report to 20D Main Street.

We apologize for having inadvertently left out the name of Mr. T. Tetsuishi from the list of listed members of the committee drawing up plans for the coming general elections.

URGE TAGS FOR CHILDREN

The cry of a lonely forgotten child is a heart-rending thing even in such a hardened place as a police station.

It is the daily problem of the Internal Police to ferret out the parents of lost children without identification tags. Police Chief Walker stressed the importance of having all small children carry identification tags (name and address) securely and conspicuously tied to their small persons.

Parents, by means of identification tags, can prevent such a case as that of a recently lost child who cried in be-

wildered terror for two hours. Then, in sheer exhaustion, she fell asleep on the Police Chief's cot and was finally claimed by her distraught parents.



COOPERATION SOUGHT BY POLICE CHIEF

Varied duties of the Internal Police, ranging from maintenance of peace and order to enforcement of blackout regulations, necessitate the enrollment of cooperation, declared Police Chief Boyd F. Walker.

Assisting Walker are Police Captain A.B. Chambers, nine Caucasian patrolmen, and an able auxiliary force of 50 enrollment.

Located in the Police Department is the Center's jail called the "holding room". Persons violating the Center regulations are detained here.

Violators of existing laws of the country are tried by outside courts.

DANCE CLASS TO BE STARTED SOON

Classes in social dancing for beginners only will start soon, according to Fukiko Odanaka, director of women's activities. Those interested are urged to sign up immediately at the recreation department.

Instructors for social dancing are in great need. Volunteers are asked to report to the department also.

SO THIS IS SHANGRI-LAI!

A NEWCOMER DOESN'T MIND LIVING HERE FOREVER

When 26 members of the Nakao family arrived Friday from San Jose, the barometer registering an average of 4.5 persons to a family here, fluttered wildly and then exploded with suddenness. However, the unexpected explosion did not in the least perturb the indomitable Nakao.

They settled down to housekeeping in barracks 209 A, B, and C on 25th Street with apparent satisfaction. Their tedious journey lasting almost 18 hours was soon forgotten. Yes, the journey must have been tedious since among

CLARINET PLAYER TOPS 2ND REVUE

Before an eager crowd of about 3000, the second weekly Talent Revue came off with a bang last Friday night on the athletic field.

"Pete" Bosshe, clarinet player from Montebello, was rated highly by all as were the Aloha Serenaders led by Frank Hayami and the hula dances by Margaret Nagakura. The new talents besides Bosshe were George Igawa, saxophonist; "Chic" Ikezoe, harmonica player; and Mary Watanabe, vocalist.



X-RAY MACHINE IS INSTALLED

Installation of an X-ray machine and its photographic equipment at the hospital was announced by Jack Abbott of the hospital and health section.

The X-ray department will be under the supervision of Dr. Wilfred Haskins.

With the completion of the dark room, almost any form of ailment can be analyzed at the Center hospital, according to Abbott.

In comparison to the first Talent Revue, last Friday's show was exceptionally well-planned and received. The outdoor stage was put up by the recreation department.

Acknowledgment was made by "Doc" Yonemura, master of ceremonies, to Mart Iriye for the loan of the public address system and to Clarence Matsumura for the lighting system.

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PLAN POMONA PLAYERS CLUB

Thespians interested in presenting and staging plays in English are organizing a Pomona Players Club, it was learned.

The group will not only present plays by popular writers but will present original plays by members of the Center.

Those interested are urged to hand in their names and addresses to David Yamakawa, 2920 20th Street, or at the POMONA CENTER NEWS offices, 249 20th Street.

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BRIDGE PARTIES TO BE HELD TWICE WEEKLY

Bridge enthusiasts will have an opportunity to enjoy their "sport" soon, according to Fukiko Odanaka, director of women's activities, as bridge parties will be held every Wednesday and Saturday nights, from 7:00 to 10:00 at the recreational hall 35.

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FAVORITES WIN TILTS

HOLLYWOOD SHO GABRIANS, SPORTSMEN I AND II TRIUMPH IN SOFTBALL OPENERS

Favored teams came out on top as expected in the opening day of organized softball play as 16 teams clashed in eight games on the three local diamonds Sunday afternoon.

In the Senior League, a good pennant battle is seen as three of the four games were won by lopsided scores, according to the league's organizer, George Nishinaka.

With Akira Washio doing the chucking, the Hollywood Swallows pounded out a 16-4 win over the Pomona Originals in the first encounter on diamond one.

Yoshio Shimizu took the hill for the Valley Sportsmen II team and turned back the Paninies, 9-0.

Fog City boys could only dent the Sho-Gabrian defense for five runs as they bowed, 7-5.

In the 6:30 battle, George Hnaki's two singles and doubles combined with the potent Toshio Asano's pitching arm led the way for the Valley Sportsmen I to win over a Chackateer outfit, 20-4.

The quartet of games in the prep circle was highlighted by the wide margined 19-0 win of the Valley Spitfires over the Eagle Eyes. The Bassett Dynamiters exploded with a 17-4 take over the Wildcats. The Pine Drapes were the victors over the Huskies by 9-3 count, while the Pomona Yogos eked out a 10-8 decision over the Dark Horses.

DIMONETTES WIN OVER DEVILETTES

With cheering fans to spur them to victory, the Diamonettes defeated the Devilettes, 57 to 7, on the athletic field Sunday afternoon.

In the second game, the Unknowns triumphed over the Batty Batters, 9 to 4.

The captains of these teams were Devilettes, Chiyoko Suzuki; Diamonettes, Yoshiko Abe; Unknowns, Rosa Sato; Batty Batters, Shizuko Yamaguchi.

MESS HALL GIRLS TO PLAY VOLLEYBALL

Inter-mess hall girls' volleyball league will begin tomorrow evening on the athletic field after being postponed from last week.

Games scheduled for the night are:

- 7:00-Hall #4 vs. Hall #6
- 7:00-Hall #2 vs. Hall #7
- 7:30-Hall #1 vs. Hall #3

GAMES TONITE

With Toshio Asano, great fireballer, taking over the pitching chores once again the Valley Sportsmen I are expected to triumph over the Pomona Originals on diamond #1 in the lone twilight fete tonight. Kats Tsuboi probably will chuck for the Pomona nine.

PINGPONG WINNERS

Winners of last week's first round of girls' ping pong tournament were Agnes Ichikawa, Kiyoko Kamine, Grace Shirai, Kimiko Uemoto, and Shizuko Yamakawa.

LARGE CROWD SEES SOFTBALL LOOP OPENERS

According to George Nishinaka, boys' softball league organizer, everything went off as well as expected in the opening day of organized softball league competition. Sixteen teams were able to display their wares in eight games before good crowds.

Nishinaka stated that after this twilight games will start at 6 p.m. He emphasized the point that teams must be ready to play by at least ten minutes after the scheduled time or a forfeit victory will be awarded the squad with the required number of players.

Teams may use the field for practice half an hour before the scheduled playing time.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 2
Sportsmen I vs. Pomona Originals (diamond #1)

Wednesday, June 3
Hollywood vs. Chackateers (diamond #1); Eagle Eyes vs. Dark Horses (diamond #2)

Thursday, June 4
Fog City v s. Paninies (diamond #1); Wildcats vs. Pine Drapes (diamond #2)

Friday, June 5
Sho Gabrians vs. Sportsmen II (diamond #1)

Saturday, June 6
Dynamiters v s. Huskies (diamond #1)

(All games are scheduled for 6:00 p.m.)

Ball playing is restricted to athletic field only. No more catch in the streets.