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GRADUATION RITES SET

BLOCKS MEET TONIGHT IN MESS HALLS

First of a series of nomination meetings for the coming general elections will be held tonight with Blocks 6, 10, 14 and 18 meeting from 7 o'clock in the various mess halls.

On Wednesday evening blocks 5, 7, 11, 15 and 19 will meet, while on Thursday, Blocks 2, 8, 12, 16 and 20 will hold their meetings.

All blocks in District I are meeting on the north side of Mess Hall 2; District II, Mess Halls, north side; District III, Mess Hall 3, south side; District IV, Mess Hall 6, north side; District V, Mess Hall 5, north side.

Final instructions for the nomination meetings released by the Preparations Committee are as follows:

1. Nominees must be 25 years of age or over.
2. A nominee must have at least 10 supporters to become eligible for candidacy.
3. A person cannot make more than one nomination.
4. No limit as to the number of nominees from each block.

5. Nomination speeches limited to three minutes each.
6. Only registered voters will be admitted.

GET RECEIPTS FOR PROPERTY IN WAREHOUSE!

Residents who have lost or did not get receipts for electrical appliances and other property in the warehouse are asked to see Superintendent Lyle M. King.

NEW CENTRAL COMMISSARY ESTABLISHED

A central commissary for the preparation of fresh vegetables will be established in the warehouse area beginning this week, Bert S. Boards, head of work and maintenance division announced.

"At this central commissary, the preparation of vegetables can be done at one place, eliminating some of the work now being done in the mess halls," Boards said.

RESIDENTS OBSERVE FLAG DAY

In commemoration of Flag Day, Pomona Center residents assembled on the athletic field Sunday morning.

The program opened with the presentation of colors by American Legionnaires, followed by Mic Takeuchi and Beverly Kauwa leading the assembly in the singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner."

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Legionnaire Dr. George Takeyama, master of ceremonies.

Invocation was given by Rev. Tokujiro Horikoshi.

Charles C. Patrick, Center lodging and mess officer, as the key speaker for the program, spoke briefly on tolerance under the flag. Hitoshi "Moe" Yonemura followed with a short address on the significance of the flag.

Benediction was by Rev. Sankin Sano and the retiring of Colors by the Legionnaires.

DIPLOMAS TO BE GIVEN ON JUNE 29

Diplomas will be presented to Elementary, Junior High, High School, and Junior College students who would have graduated this summer, at commencement exercises to be held here on June 29 at 7 p.m. the State Board of Education announced.

Dr. C.C. Trillingham, assistant superintendent of L.A. County Schools, and Frank M. Wright, district superintendent of El Monte grammar schools, visited the Center last Friday to make arrangements.

Application for diplomas will be taken at the Education department, 376B 21st Street, on Wednesday. Each applicant is required to furnish the following information: Name, school, address of school, and name of the principal.

W. Eugene Dimon, director of recreation and education, warned that students failing to register will not receive their diplomas.

OUT PATIENTS CLINIC OPENS

Out Patients Health Center opened this morning at Barrack 267 ready to handle all cases of non-emergency nature. Jack Abbott, Hospital and Health Sectionhead, announced.

The clinic will be open 9 a.m.-12 m. and 1-4 p.m. daily except Sundays. Residents should look at the schedule to see at which hour midday certain type's of cases will be treated.

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LIBRARY GETS MORE BOOKS

Constant addition of books and magazines to the library has necessitated the building of shelves along the complete south wall of the room, Alice Tomimura, head librarian, announced. When these shelves are finished, more reading material will be provided Center readers.

More than 1100 residents are registered at the library and the number is increasing steadily. Registrants range from little ones who can't sign their names to oldsters who read through double spectacles.

The library has been receiving a few magazines from the residents as well as from such outside sources as churches, school and

service organizations. The National Geographic, Popular Mechanics, Time, Life, Newsweek, and women's magazines have proved most popular among the magazines.

"Best sellers" among books on the reserved list are: "Gone With the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell, "Two Way Passage" by Louis Adamic, "Blood, Sweat and Tears" by Winston Churchill, "Kimbie's Daughter" by De Rose Hayward, "The Citadel" by A. J. Cronin, "A Subtreasury of American Humor" by E. B. and K. S. White, "One Foot in Heaven" by Hartwell Spence, "Big Family" by Ballingay Partridge, and "All This and Heaven Too" by Rachel Field.

By S.M.



HATRED DOES NOT cease by hatred at any time; hatred ceases by love: this is an old rule. As ethics would have it, hatred exists in this present muddle--in fact, it is practically essential, it to get a guy mad enough to get mixed up in this mess. We folks back home have a lot of loving to do to catch up to the preaching going on now.

WE ARE NOW...

in the middle of "pitching season." In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of baseball, horseshoes and other forms of pitching. This revised form from Tennyson goes along until, in June, enough pitches have been thrown so that some of them are caught.

AND THEN FOOTBALL...

comes along, and passes are thrown all over the field. Great sport.

SIGNS ARE PAINTED...

but never read; and if read, never understood. Alien registration happened to be held in the same barrack as is the PCN office. We had a sign in Japanese across the door. An average of 30 persons ducked under the signs and came up to us to ask where registration was.

THE LEAST THEY...

could have done was to read those signs.

THE CENTER HAS...

more new-born-additions. This time it's of the feline species. Kids are bringing a few drops of milk and some bread for the little ones. Kyoote?

THAT TICKLING...

middle finger all taped up, tormenting Dr. Wilfred Hancock, was caused by an unruly baseball that wouldn't fit into his outstretched palms during practice of the Hospital staff baseball game.

"WHAT A HAPPY...

mortal am I for being unconcerned upon this occasion; for being neither crushed by the present, nor afraid of what is to come."

HI-HO, HI-HO

OFF TO WORK WE GO!

Except, of course, that they are much bigger, the set on the Center trash crew, like the seven bustling dwarfs of Disney fame, whistle while they work.

Handily foreman "Bob" Asano, they conscientiously perform one of the most odious and least enviable of all jobs. Yet, their work is indispensable to the community from the standpoint of health, appearance, and sanitation.

They work every day except Sunday, in three shifts, but the results of their toil is rarely no-

ticed, except occasionally, when by Sunday afternoon, the refuse cans commence to overflow so that the lid is precariously perched several feet above the actual rim. One hardly notices the absence of the crew until flies and ants begin to make their unsolicited appearance on the ground surrounding the trash cans.

The cheerful harmonious slowness with which they attack filth in the Center is reminiscent of Disney's seven little hard-working men.

By Y.A.



USO DRIVE OPENS JUNE 17

Binom's desire on the part of Center residents to contribute, in some way, towards the joy and comfort of sons, brothers, and friends in the armed forces of the United States, has resulted in a decision to conduct a drive independent of any other center or locality for USO funds, according to Clarence Uno, organizer and chairman of the drive.

Starting Wednesday, the drive will be continued for two weeks. All donations are voluntary and the individual amounts will not be disclosed.

Contributions will be taken at campaign headquarters, 2764 21st Street. Samuel Nagata, vice-chairman, and a committee of 12 will assist Uno in making contacts.

For those as yet unacquainted with the activities of the USO, Clayton Briggs, manager of the Center, revealed that the funds are used to provide comforts, refreshments, and entertainment for the armed forces of the United States, here and abroad.

The quota set for this center will be proportionate according to figures submitted for the city of Pomona, whose approximately 20,000 residents are expected to raise \$8,000.

Enrollees who temporarily lack funds may give pledges of support to be filled at a future date. Remittance forms will be mailed to them on the date due by a bank to be designated for this purpose. When the full amount of the quota has been raised, a check signed by the campaign chairman will be sent to the USO headquarters, as proof that although segregated and apart, the hearts and thoughts of Center residents are with the fighting forces of the United States.

In asking for cooperation, Uno urged that even though this community is not a productive one at present, enrollees could make no finer sacrifice than that of contributing towards the recreation of the defenders of democracy.

By Y.A.

COLLECTION CAN NETS \$8

To complete payment on orchestra's new set of drums, a collection can circulated among the audience at last Friday's talent review, yielded \$8.50 in everyting from penny scripts to half silver.

"What generosity! That tin can reached only about half the audience and look at all we've collected!" exclaimed Eugene "Buck" Simon, director of recreation, eyeing the contributions.

The can will be placed at the Center Store for further donations, Simon said.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS NOW ON SALE AT CENTER STORE

Essential household articles, such as powdered and cake soaps and matches, are now on sale at the Center Store. Jimmy Uyemura, manager of the Center Store, said.

Tooth paste, brushes, and other toilet articles will arrive soon.

30 BARRACKS GET 50-FOOT FIRE HOSE

Thirty of Center's 416 barracks are being provided with 50-foot sections of one inch hose, according to Fire Chief Jack B. Tefft.

DIRECTORY COMPILED BY POST OFFICE

In order to facilitate speedier mail service here, a personal directory for Center residents has been compiled. Keen Yanagi, head of the local mail unit, announced.

Information regarding names and past addresses of enrollees, can be obtained at 225 11th Street.

Residents should call for unaddressed mail or packages at the General Delivery Office and U.S. Post Office Sub Station at 225.

"Former residents of San Francisco, San Jose, and Santa Clara, who originally had been ordered to Santa Anita or Tanforan, but came here, are urged to write to those centers for their accumulated mail," Yanagi said.



CARPENTER MAKES ADJUSTABLE DENTIST CHAIR

Most intricate creation to date by Center carpenters under the direction of Jimmy Kondo, foreman, is an adjustable dentist chair, by Carpenter N. Wakaye.

Attachable to the chair is a wooden cushion to elevate the seat for children.

Desks and cabinet accompanying the chair are now being completed.

Painting of the furniture is being done by Zen-nosuke Sawa, paint foreman.

REVEAL FREE RADIO SERVICE

Free radio service at the warehouse for Center residents was announced by Bernard Hixt, supply officer.

"Radios will be repaired without charge. Residents, however, will have to pay for the cost of the parts which will be bought wholesale," Hixt stated.

All requests for radio work should be made to Superintendent Lyle M. King at the warehouse.

BATTLE OF THE CENTURY BOUT ENDS IN DRAW

Joe Louis is still champion of the world, after K.O. Richard Omoto and K. Battlin' Nakashi Shimogawa battled three fast rounds to a draw in the main attraction of the fourth weekly Talent Revue before an estimated crowd of some 4,000 in the athletic field last Friday evening.

Both fighters went the entire route at full speed.

After each round "Tots" Aoki and Eddie Tokuhashi, respective seconds for the fighters Omoto and Shimogawa, rushed in and worked furiously over the tired "fly" fighters.

Eugene "Buck" Simon, head of the recreation department, was the referee.

while James Amiya, orchestra drummer, did the time keeping.

Making their debut were Beverly Knutz, who sang "Yours" and "Dolores", and

Mary Nagashima, nine-year old pianist, who played "Flying Leaves".

The Pomona Center orchestra, appearing for the second time, played "White Cliffs of Dover", and Mary Watanabe was the vocalist for the second number.

Tetsu Bessho, clarinetist, rendered "Copenhagen" and "Rose Room" in his second solo appearance. Also on the program were Frank Hayami and his Aloha Sorenders, who played three selections.

Hitoshi "Ike" Yonemura was chairman for the evening. The program was under the direction of Dave Yamakawa.

By G.K.



MAKE SURVEY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS

A house-to-house confidential survey of family and social problems has been started by the Family Relations Committee of the Welfare Section, Alvin Loughlin, Welfare head, announced.

Center residents with problems may talk them to the chairman of the following districts: District 1, Shusaku Ono; District 2, Mrs. Iwao Hironaka; District 3 Mrs. Doris Hoshida; District 4, Mrs. Mary Tokugawa; District 5, Mrs. Tomonori.

COUPONS SHOULD NOT BE DETACHED FROM WCCA BOOKS

Loose coupons without the WCCA books are not acceptable for purchases at the Center Store, Jimmy Uyemura, manager of the Center Store said.

Parents sending children to the Center Store are asked that they be allowed to bring the WCCA books. Those bringing only coupons will be turned away.

"Rules concerning coupon books were issued by the WCCA for the protection of the customer and therefore must be complied with," Uyemura said.

OPEN THREE MORE OFFICES

Three additional information bureaus made from the one located at the Center Store, are being opened for Center residents, it was announced by George Ishiyama, head of the information bureau.

Complaints, requests and pass control are handled by the information service. Passes for those with legitimate business inside the administration rooms will be issued by Ishiyama.

Located at 376A 21st St. is one of the new bureaus.

SKETCH CLUB ORGANIZED

To stimulate art interest in this Center and also to serve as an art organization, a sketch club was formed recently by Gompers Saito.

Possible activities of this group are Sunday sketching parties, art

MUSIC, GAMES KEEP KINDERGARTEN CHILDREN BUSY

Music and singing, simple craft work, and outdoor games as well as personal hygiene are keeping the kindergarten children in barrack 35 each weekday morning as "busy as bustling bees", according to Mrs. Doris Hoshida, department head.

Soon an exhibit of the children's work will be held, she added.

BARBER SHOP MAY BE OPENED SOON

Registration of all barbers who wish to be on the regular payroll will be taken at the Service Division in order that a shop may be started soon, according to Service director Jack Conway.

classes, social gatherings, art exhibits, and music hours. They also plan to help decorate such parts of the camp as the nursery, schools, library, and the post office.

There are already about 20 members.

SUNDAY evening the big game which we expected to see failed to be nothing more than a walkover for the Valley Sportsmen outfit as they triumphed 9-1 over the highly touted Sho Gabrians.

Those who were at the game saw the fourth renewal of the oldest softball feud in the Southland Japanese circles.

Your writer is of the opinion that this is the Valley Sportsmen team at its strongest. True, Connie Okura, catcher and star of the Sportsmen championship attack of 1941, is missing but the Valley team now has more potential hitting power than ever before.

The Sho-Gabrians, on the other hand, have seen their better years. The team which was able to take the southland JSL championship for two years in a row, now is only the remains. Gone are the Toyoda brothers, Shiro and Hank Otsuji, and Ikuo Watanabe. The Valley acquisition of Fred Iriya, powerful home-run slugger, did the Gabrians no good. But with such men as Tex Matsuda, Louis Iriya, and others you can bet your bottom dollar that these boys will give you your money's worth.

What impresses us.

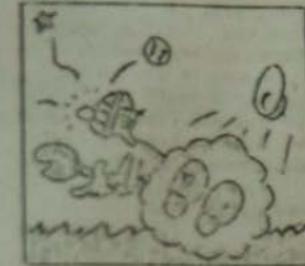
No matter which team is able to come out on top, it's the spirit in which these two teams carry out their friendly feud that never fails but to impress us. This fact was borne out last year, when two Sho-Gabrians joined under the Valley banner and pushed the team to capture the Nippon Kigen tourney.

What we hear.

Your Viewer was informed by certain parties from the Prince area that Mrs. Shinzo Yamakawa, who captured the first Pomona Center women's ping pong singles tournament, was the former San Francisco Bay Region champion.

SHO GABS TAKEN IN 9-1 SETBACK

With the anticipated tight game failing to materialize, the Valley Sportsmen 1 nine scored six runs on four hits in the first inning to coast to an easy 9-1 triumph over the Sho Gabrians in Sunday's feature attraction.



GIRLS MIX THURSDAY

Diamondettes and Unknowns will tangle for the lead in Girls' Softball League Thursday from 6:30 p.m. at the athletic field.

The Diamondettes, named after E. Eugene Diamond, recreation director, are led by Tomiko Abe and the Unknowns are captained by Ross Sato. Both teams are undefeated and have two wins to their credit.

League Standings Girls' Softball

Team	Won	Lost	Tied
Diamondettes	2	0	0
Unknowns	2	0	0
Wild Cats	2	0	0
Centrolettes	0	1	1
Roaring Nine	1	1	1
Batty Batters	0	2	0
Devillettes	0	3	0

Inter-Class Hall Girls' Volleyball Standings

Mess Hall	Won	Lost	Tied
No.2	2	0	0
No.4	2	0	0
No.3	1	1	0
No.7	1	1	0
No.1	0	2	0
No.8	0	2	0

The game was witnessed by over two thousand fans.

Heavy hitting and a loose Sho Gabrian infield got the Valley nine off to a fast start. The Sportsmen came back to score twice in the second and once in the fifth frame to clinch the game.

The winners were able to connect for a total of seven bingles, while the Sho Gabrians garnered three hits off the fireball offering of Toshio Asano.

Fred Hayward started the game for the Sho Gab's but gave way to Tetsuo "Texie" Watanabe in the fourth.

Motoe Okura was the top batter for the winners, collecting two hits in five trips to the plate.

The Valley Spittires played for the breaks and eked out a narrow 2-1 decision over their arch-rivals, the Bassett Dynamites, in the first game of the afternoon on diamond number one.

With their opponents scoring in the first canto, the Spittires had to come from behind to tie it up in the fifth and finally win in their half of the seventh.

Both sides were constantly threatening to score throughout the fray which had the scattering of fans on their feet. GK

NOTICE

George Nishinaka requests that all managers hereafter consult the bulletin board on the athletic field and at the Center Store for future schedule of games, team standings and results.

DIVISIONAL LOOP FORMED

Competition in the newly formed twelve team Divisional League will get under way next Saturday afternoon.

This league which is different by the teams from the Center is made up of teams from the Police, Fire, Housing Recreation, Personnel, Warehouse, Commissary,

Hospital, Engineering, Tide-Keepers, Carpenters, and Maintenance Departments.

Game time is to be at one and three o'clock on Saturday afternoons.

All managers of the above teams are requested to turn in team roster to George Nishinaka, baseball caesar, at 1570 7th Street.

BEE'S UPSET HUSKY JUNIORS

Behind Ted Ginoza's brilliant pitching the Bee's defeated the Husky Jrs. in a ten inning thriller, 10-9, Tuesday. The victory enabled the Bee's to tie the Husky Jrs. for the loop lead. Coming from behind three times, the Bee's staged a "Herrließl" finish twin. Ginoza allowed but six hits and struck out 14. Failure to hit in the clutch and too many free passes by Husky pitchers gave away costly to the losers.

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SPECTATOR HURT AT BALL GAME

Frank Uyeda, formerly of Hollywood, was the victim of the first casualty to result on the athletic field.

A sideline spectator at the San Gabriel-Valley Sportmen's game on Sunday, Uyeda was accidentally kicked in the eye by Larry Shikamori, Sportmen catcher, who ran into the sidelines, trying for a high foul.

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TAKE DOWN CLOTHES LINES AT NIGHT!

To eliminate the danger of injuring policemen on night duty, clothes lines strung from barracks to poles or trees should be taken down at night, according to Ben Ozeki, chief of auxiliary police.

Also clothes lines put up next to laundry rooms should be taken down after their use so that others can hang out their clothes.

"Some residents leave their lines up with signs attached so that no one else can use them", Ozeki said.

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Husky Jrs.	5	1	.833
Bee's	5	1	.833
Tanks	2	3	.400 2 ⁺
Bassett Jrs.	1	4	.200 3 ⁺
Asahi Jrs.	0	2	.000 3
Panthers	0	2	.000 3
*Games behind leader.			
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Leading Batters	
Joe Tokeshi (Tanks)	.600
Tad Maruoka (Asahi)	.750
Geo. Kikutani (Hus)	.636
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Leading Pitchers	
	Won Lost S.A.
Ted Ginoza (Bee's)	3 0 .32
Coo. Igawa (Hus)	2 1 .25
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MIXED PINGPONG TOURNEY SLATED

Nine double round robin ping pong tournament will be played on Thursday evening from 6-9 p.m. at Recreation Hall 35 starting Thursday, June 18.

DO YOU KNOW

THESE PEOPLE?

Any information regarding the location of Center residents named below would be appreciated by the Personnel office: Norichichi Nishimura, 639 N. Madison, L. A.; Matsuo Kawashima, 720 E. 28th St., L. A.; Eizo Kodouzono, 513 N. Virgil, L. A.

BRIDGE SIGNUP

Bridge enthusiasts desiring to join the Bridge Club are asked to sign up at the Recreation Department or with Dr. Toshitaro Tanaka, instructor, at 415B 26th Street. Meetings are held Wednesday and Saturday, from 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Dr. Tanaka will also assist beginners so those desiring to learn should submit their names also.

FIRST MUSIC HOUR SUCCESS

Music lovers filled Barrack 249 to capacity last Thursday evening to listen to the first of a weekly series of recorded concert music to be presented as a music appreciation project.

Roy Matsumura and George Iwanaka, assisted by Florence Tsuneishi and Teruo Horizawa were responsible for the success of the program which included:

1. Bourée in A Minor--Bach
2. Symphony No. 5 in E Minor--Dvorak
3. "Song to the Evening Star"--Wagner
4. Piano Concerto No. 3 in C Minor, Op. 37--Beethoven

Analyses, given by Miss Tsuneishi, preceded each number.

Plans for the next music appreciation hour are under way, and will be presented at 7:30 on Saturday evening, June 20.

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PLAN TIN CAN, PAPER DRIVE

Keeping in step with the rest of the nation's defense activities, the Center is conducting its own tin can and paper drive, according to Bert S. RoBards, head of the Works and Maintenance Department.

All newspapers, wrapping paper and empty cartons should be folded flat, tied into bundles and placed outside the barracks. Salvage trucks will collect these bundles on Monday mornings.

Residents were also asked to save their tin cans for defense purposes. Tin cans should be rinsed out and both ends should be cut and pushed in. Cans should be smashed and placed with the newspapers for the salvage truck, RoBards announced.

Money taken from these weekly drives will be spent for athletic equipment.

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VITAL STATISTICS

Births

NAKAMURA--to Tsuneo and Yuriko Nakamura, June 11, a girl.