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COUPON BOOKS

CENTER-ITES BUY 6,079 TO DATE

From May 14 to June 23 the Center Cashier has sold 6,079 coupon books, totaling \$15,197.50. The daily average sale amounts to \$434.21. The highest sale for one day was \$1,732.50, and the lowest totaled \$172.

An analysis of the respective sales of the coupon books and the day's take at the Center Store reveals that as the sales of the coupon books increased the sales at the store were much higher.

3RD DANCE CLASS SIGNUP

Because of the great interest in beginners' social dancing, a third class will be organized, announced the Rec. Department.

The details for the signup, which is to be held at the recreation office, is 8 p.m. Wednesday night.

Classes are scheduled from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at one hour intervals.

Notice of class and hour will be sent through the information booth to each individual. All those who do not receive them are asked to go to the Rec. office.



Chewing his gum at a rate which would make another's jaw ache, Mr. Lloyd C. (wouldn't reveal) Shaffer, Director of Mess and Lodging, disclosed to the El Joaquin news-getter that he was born in Kansas on May 1, 1897.

Brown-eyed, tall and lanky (6 ft.), he is married, has no children and likes trout fishing.

As for his work, it's just "swell".

P.S. His "chawing" on gum is the result of a bet to quit smoking -- and he did.

JOBS AVAILABLE !!

There are openings for three firemen for the night shift and a few laborers to do varied work around the Center, according to Mr. Roland Frost.

The firemen should report to Mr. Martin Murphy, Fire Chief; the latter, to the Works Division.

GRADUATES

S.J.C.ERS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

Good news, Stockton J. C. graduates!

Mr. Windmiller, registrar of Stockton Junior College, will be at the visitors' booth tomorrow at 3 p.m. to present diplomas to the following center graduates: Toshi Abe, Sadao Baishiki, John Hiramoto, Tokio Inouye, Kay Kameda, Henry Kusama, Haruko Morita, Meri Okamoto, Setsuko Oshita, Shigeo Tabuchi, and Hideko Tsutsui.

Sam Yanari, who has moved to Denver, Colorado, will receive his by mail.

AMATEUR SHOW WINNERS LISTED

With 3,500 of the Center's population in attendance at the Amateur Program last Saturday afternoon--the following contestants were the winners:

In the English division --1st, Mr. Shinjo for his novel performance in roping; 2nd, Jimmy Miho with his harmonica selection; and 3rd, Dorothy Shimada plus her clarinet selection; and in the Japanese division, the winners all placed with vocal solos--1st, Shiro Ogawara; 2nd, Takako Ogeta; and 3rd, Kazue Kuwabara.

STORK SWEEPSTAKES SET !!

Daffynition: A family it's where the stork always makes one or two too many visits (so says Pancho).

Definition: A group of related plants or animals forming a category ranking above a genus and below an order (so says Noah Webster).

Whatever Pancho or Noah may say, there is no doubt that the Center boasts of many fine families, including cases which show the generosity of Mr. Stork.

The Murano family with 12 immediate members holds

THE title as being the largest clan in the Center. Miss Alice Ayako Murano is listed in the files as the head.

"Seven come eleven, out the back door" and some families won.....!! They are the Wetanabes (Seichi) and Satos (Mrs. Osetsu).

Families with a mere ten are headed by Mr. Shinzo Iwamiya, Mr. Tadaichi Kamidai, Mrs. Takayo Hiramoto, Mrs. Magoichi Yamaseki, Mr. Saihachi Meyeda, Mr. Koichi Matsumoto, Mr. Kiyoshi Shimizu, Mr. Hideji

Yakushise, Mr. Seizaburo Hattori and Mr. Isami Megio.

As for the commonest name here, the Itos take the lead with 18 (this number includes only family heads and single persons). One clan (Aenjiro) has 9; another (Reiji), 8.

There are 15 Tanakas with two groups composed of 9 (Megumi and Yoshinobu) and one with 8 (Shigeichi).

Next come the Nakamuras with that number 13; then the Yamamotos and Yamashitas with ten.

EDITORIAL

With a population of 4,150 residents our Center is the fourth largest community in the San Joaquin County. Naturally, it has many problems just like any other town. Among them, sanitation may be the most acute one which we may have to meet.

Planned on a temporary basis, our city lacks paved streets and walks, adequate drainage systems, and cleaning facilities. What we lack in facilities must be made up in other ways.

Thus, it is imperative that everyone cooperate in the use of our limited accommodations so that the minimum of effort may be required for proper sanitation.

A little initiative on the part of the Center-ites in this matter of waste disposal, for example, would make the grounds more presentable and would prove of greater permanent value to everyone.



Just Sup.

For the end of the fatal story
Just look above and behold--

Their crossing of the threshold;
And, alas, the final deed is done!!

MATINEE MUSINGS - MOVIES TONIGHT

The coming attraction for this Wednesday's matinee at the Center's Little Theatre is "Thru' the Giant Northwest", a one reel travel film; and "Game Management", a two reel film on the Nat'l Parks in Arizona about the care and life of the deer and buffalo.

The recreation committee is trying to make contacts for comedy and fiction films.

STATE BOARD EXAMS.

Anyone planning to take State Board Examinations in Law, Medicine, Pharmacy or Dentistry is asked to contact Mr. A. L. Nicholson, Assistant Center Manager, and to present letters or other evidence from the State Board indicating qualification for the examinations.

PROF. SPAULDING SPEAKS TO GROUP

Professor Gordon Spaulding, who teaches English and Philosophy at the Stockton Junior College, spoke Sunday evening to a large interested group at the study hall.

He stressed the importance of the evaluation of our life in this Center.

An informal discussion immediately followed the lecture led by Edith Chikaraishi. Questions were asked by the group and answered by Prof. Spaulding.

SHUT-INS

Newest measles cases are Tom Kamita, Hiroshi Inamita and Tadashi Fujitaka. Inami Sagara (head injury) and Mrs. Yone Kiyotake (appendectomy) returned from the County Hospital to Center Hospital.

OUR NEIGHBOORS

Well, well....with the present weather and girls in brief briefs, even Tommie has to say "mucho caliente".....Here's what's happening in:

MERCED.....
What will \$ Margie say?
"Keep your dollars.... Do not collect money from friends.....We do not want you to go broke".....
MERCEDIAN.....
Little Pancho knows better the intricacies of the peso.....

Maybe this explains the financial mixup.....a hundred gallons of water per person are used daily in Merced.....Drink, drunk, drunk.

TULELAKE.....
Let your imagination run riot for a minute.....
The Housing Dep't discovered in their files a family of two males and a baby. Arose the question, "Whodunit".....It was later discovered that through a typographical error a female became a man.

The administration has officially adopted the two-word spelling of Tule Lake. ...Evidently the confusion as to whether Tule Lake or vice versa came about when no lake was found.
SANTA ANITA.....

Cash, money, dollars, salary, maruma, paycheck, sugar.....Call it what you may, but Santa Anitans were paid last Friday!!!!
PUYALLUP (WASH.).....

Getu "getu".....A L. Fujikado constructed 700 custom-built pairs of "getas" for Puyallupians..... He did not charge.....Evidently there are still some nice people left here and there.

KNITTING CLASS TOMORROW !!

Mrs. S. Sudow will instruct a class in Beginners' Knitting Thursday afternoon from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the Ed. Ex. Hall.

Rec. Director, Jack Farland, will make arrangements to bring in the material.

Anybody interested is welcome to attend.

SQUEALS FROM THE HOG BARN!

HANSEN SPEAKS ON COOPERATIVES

Mr. Karl Hansen of the Stockton Junior College, one of the active organizers of the Pacific Co-op, outlined the basic principles and functions of the cooperative movement before a group of young people last Sunday.

Because the cooperative type of economic life may be started in the relocation centers, a committee composed of Stewart Nakano, Kinji Hiramoto, Barry Saiki, Tak Kubota, Isami Inouye, and Jimmy Doi will study the cooperative plan.

6 AM ROLL CALL IS CANCELLED !!

According to latest instructions from the Western Defense Command Headquarters, only one roll call a day will be required.

The check-up will be held nightly at 9 p.m. by the block representatives. Everyone is requested to remain in his barrack while the roll call is being taken.

AIR WARDENS MEET

The third meeting of the Center's Air Aid Wardens was held at Mess 10 Monday morning. Chief Air Aid Warden E. W. Collard again failed to appear. Plans were discussed for the next meeting to be held Monday at 10 a.m.

RED CROSS NURSING

With a membership of fifty, the Red Cross Home Nursing classes are being successfully conducted twice each week. The instructor for the group is Mrs. Alice Cruz.

WORKS DIVISION KEEPS BUSY

The Hog Barn, the former home of the County Fair prize porkers, is no longer the hippy granting grounds for the pigs.

The lumbering roast pork 'a la naturelle' have been replaced by lumbering carpenters and workers of the Works Division.

Mr. Higashio is the head foreman for the carpenter crew which is now engaged in building screen doors and cabinets. Mr. Fukami and Allan Hagio are the busy sign painters, while the plumbers are in charge of T. Kaba; the electricians, K. Hata; and the laborers, Mr. Mason.

The office staff consists of Meri Okamoto, Sr. Typist; S. Baishiki, N. Mikasa, and H. Yokoi, Sr. Clerks; T. Baishiki, Accountant; and H. Ito, Time Keeper.


Commenting on the workers in his division, Supt. Parsons said, "The men are all doing good work and we appreciate their efforts."

BLOCK 7 WINS PING PONG TITLE

The Block 7 team defeated the closely matched Block 8 team, 3 out of 5 games. The deciding play occurred in the final match between George Tanji and Tak Hattori, when Hattori slammed a wild serve in the final deuce set.

Results of the finals were: T. Sako (7) d. S. Kono (8); H. Sato (7) d. Y. Fujimura (8); T. Ito (8) d. D. Matsui (7); T. Hagio (8) d. I. Sato (7); G. Tanji (7) d. T. Hattori (8).

CANDID CLOSE-UPS

by *Conroy* 

Candid papers.....

"Toss a swlegant shindig Sat. nite--a smoothie. Orkids to the Recreation Committee and to "Skipper" Nagai.

Did'ja notice all the fens who do the track every evening? Giving the so-called stronger sex a run for their money (or is it a race for their money?)

Dippy-nitions....

In Bierce's The Devil's Dictionary are some vaddy, vaddy interesting definitions:

DAWN, n. "The time when men of reason go to bed", which reminds us of the Center-ites -- the young'uns, especially.

ALONE, adj. "In bad company". I agree with you, Mr. Bierce.

BRUTE, n. "See HUSBAND".

---kmm.....

FEMALE, n. "One of the opposing, or unfair sex."

HASH, n. "There is no definition for this word--nobody knows what hash is". We know, don't we, fellahs?

HERS, pron. "His." Short 'n' sweet!

RESIDENT, adj. "Unable to leave." Guess who?

CRAFT, n. "A fool's substitute for brains." And now ye scribe knows the truth.

ONCE, adv. "Enough." Okay, we can take a hint.

SMITH TO LEAD CHOIR

Mr. Frank Thornton Smith, head of the Stockton High School music department, will be guest director of the Center Choir next Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the REx (Educational Exhibit) Hall.

Those interested in the choir are asked to reserve this date.

JOINT MEETING SAT.

"Let's get acquainted!" is the theme of the joint meeting of troops 19, 91 and 30 which is scheduled on the grandstand this Saturday night.

The public is cordially invited.

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Pad of Bys'm'byes

Wednesday:	1:00 p.m.	Movie
	7:00 p.m. and	Card Party
	After roll call	..Study Hall
		(Bring own cards)
Thursday:	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Home Nursing
	2:00-4:00 p.m.	Home Nursing
	4:00 p.m.	Movie
	7:00 p.m.	Community Singing
Friday:	2:00 p.m.	Beginners' Dancing
	7:00 p.m.	Movie
Saturday:	9:00 p.m.	Dance
		..Platform

All activities held at Ed. Ex. Hall unless otherwise indicated.....

