

WAIERGA Wasp



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ITANO, HIGHEST HONORS AT U.C.

Harvey Itano, Bl. 2, Barrack 5-D, graduated at the top of class of '42 from U. of Cal. at the 79th commencement exercise. R. G. Sproul, U. C. president, announced the honor conferred on him as the "most distinguished member of the class"--the University medalist.

Itano was unable to attend the exercise as he was evacuated with his family to the Center. He received his B.S. degree as a major in chemistry, completing his eight semesters in college for 11½ units and compiled a straight "A" average.

A member of the Phi Beta Kappa, a national honor society, and the Sigma X; Itano was an active member of the U.C. YMCA cabinet and also served on the student health committee.

SUNDAY SERVICE

"We are expecting new leaders, new educators to arise from this camp, from those obstacles and adversities," said Dr. Alfred Tonnes, secretary of Church Council of Sacramento, at a non-denominational service on Sunday, May 17.

"There is an abundant opportunity to serve your fellow men in all fields. You have in you possibility of making history. In fact, you are making history now."

Dr. Tonnes told the evacuees that the council will furnish as much material for further education in the Center as they can and he also added that teachers may be sent.

"This war is not against the Japanese people," he asserted. "We shall continue to battle hate propaganda, and teach Christ in gospels for a better and a peaceful world."

Rev. Shigeo Tanabe announced that congregations will be created for various

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REGISTRATION SOARS TO 3745

by Howard Imazaki

With exactly 3745 evacuees from Sacramento making up the total population up to noon Saturday, Walerga Assembly Center is gradually beginning to bring the its community life.

After the hustle and bustle of evacuation and settling down in the Center last week, the people have begun to think in terms of camp life and to plan for the best interest of their future here.

According to the Center administration, about 950 more evacuees are expected to be housed in the Center, swelling the number here to 4900 when all the evacuation of the Japanese in California is completed.

Statistically speaking, 829 persons arrived on Wednesday; 839 on Thursday; 125 on Friday; and 103, Saturday. There has been no voluntary evacuees from other districts than Sacramento.

Requests for change of residence have been taken up to Sunday, and the manager's office was expected to have been working on them since Monday.

Families with small children and pregnant mothers are expected to be moved to hospitals, according to Dr. George Iki, when other housing readjustments are completed.

Newcomers to the Center are pleasantly surprised to find their quarters and sleeping facilities well taken care of by the management. They are now doing their best to dress up their rooms, pretty and comfortable. Some of them have already begun to lay plans to plant flowers around their barracks and raise victory gardens in whatever space they have on hand.

Recreation center is always full of boys and girls of teen age indulging in various games and idle pastime, apparently enjoying their enforced vacation here. A little older members of their families are looking for jobs so that other fellow residents' life may be made a bit easier.

One old issei was seen cleaning up a men's lavatory in Block 3. Said he: "I am grateful for every consideration shown me here. I'm an old man. I can't do very much, but at least I can do this, so I'm offering my service."

SUBSCRIBERS

This, the third issue of The Wasp, copy of the official Center newspaper or was distributed to you free of charge.

The subscription rate has been announced as 15 cents per month two issues a week, with the minimum subscription set at one month or 15 cents.

Under compilation is the first Walerga Center directory which will be distributed free of charge to the subscribers in the near future. A subscription drive will be held sometime this week and your support will be greatly appreciated.

AT THE INDUCTION GATE

Carrying a flaming red parasol in his hand and a big black cigar in his mouth, Enjiro Kotani, a carpenter, entered the Center in an intoxicated state Friday, May 14.

Kotani, famed for his hilarious antics drew an outburst of laughter from the crowd gathered at the gate.

He refused to give his age and did not remember his name. However his identification card provided the necessary information required at the desk.

Sadao Ito, two-year-old son of K. Ito, Bl. 5, Barr. 10-A, became lost in the confusion of Friday's induction, but later he was returned to his family and was a cause for a great happiness.

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RUSTIC CORNER

ART T. MORIMITSU

After a week in Waleraga we find that one of the most unthankful jobs in this camp prove to be the mess hall duties. For some reasons or another few seem to relish working in the kitchen. Why? Is it because only dumb ones find such jobs? Harry Itano, this year's outstanding U.C. grad first worked out hero in a mess hall; and so did Teruo Hashida, a pro-mod student. And Shizuo Yoshino, a former state worker, stuck it out as a waitress ever since she came to camp. Others include workers who put in a day's work at their regular duty and then volunteer in the kitchen.

"Some of my friend call me a sucker," one fellow said to us, "but I don't care. We're getting a square deal here so I want to do as much as I can."

This fellow deserves a break. It seems logical to us that a conscientious average worker is more of an asset to our camp than a brilliant but indifferent one.

A week ago people were complaining about the poor shower service. They either got lukewarm or boiling water. Shun Aoyagi of Vacaville used to watch four boilers 16 hours a day without complaining. Shiz-Watanabe one of the assistants put in just as many hours. Now we're getting good shower service, thanks to these fellows and their co-workers. If service seems to be slow or poor in the mess or the shower-room, let us remind you again that everybody is doing his best.

CENTER'S LOCAL BOARD

Center's associated selective service board will occupy warehouse No. 21 Tuesday, May 19, as a service to men who are subject to draft, announced Walter Tsukamoto, chmn.

Notification of change of residence, filling questionnaire blanks, and other necessary functions

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ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

will be carried out by the board.

Assisting Tsukamoto will be Dr. Geo. Takahashi, Henry Taketa, Dr. G. Muramoto, and Sumio Miyamoto.

Selective service registrants are advised to notify the change of address within a week.

SACRAMENTO BOY DIES

Robert Oyama, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Oyama formerly of Los Angelos and friend of many Sacramontans, died of injuries received in an automobile accident near Knoxville, Ia. Funeral services will be conducted at Santa Anita when the ashes are returned, with only close friends and immediate members of the family attending.

MILK FORMULA FOR BABIES

All mothers may prepare milk formula for babies for the each following day at their respective kitchens preferably after 7:30 p.m. Milk and Karo are available. Dr. Jiro Muramoto is in charge of nourishment and infant feeding.

HAIRCUT

Dr. Iki underwent the first haircut under the professional hands of S. Honda, Blk. 1, Barr. 16-C, under the tree of Dr. Iki's residence at Barr. 11-A.

A community barber shop will be installed in one of the warehouses. All licensed barbers are to sign up with T. Paine, Service superintendent, or at the information desk.

TOOLS AND RADIOS

All tools and radio's confiscated at the inspection by the Center's police will be returned by the end of the week, revealed J.G. Heckes of the department. Articles will be returned to the barracks, or residents will be called for them.

CIRCULATING LIBRARY

Circulating library under supervision of Nori Shiba with the assistance of Florence Hayashi, has been installed in warehouse No. 21. Miss Shiba stated that all books are temporarily lent on an no-

Evacuation of the entire Japanese colony of Sacramento was conducted without doubt in any manner humanely as possible. 3700 people to process and register, to feed and to shelter. Anyone can realize that each evacuee entering the Center does not expect individual attention from the administrative staff, but anyone can realize how conscientious the staff is by considering the excellent facilities and services offered in the Center.

Center's administration is in the hands of socially minded people.

Gene Kenyon, manager; John C. North, supt. of works and maintenance; Robt. W. Argall, supt. of mess and lodging; Tevis Paine, supt. of services; Myron Bear, supt. of supplies; Emil Elkner, property accountant.

Samuel Andrews and Henry Kirston are assistants to Argall. V. F. Meyer to North, George T. Rodgers, Fern Ambrose and Oliver T. Whittier to Paine.

POST OFFICE

Waleraga's post office opened for service Thursday, May 15, and Carl Madsen, postmaster, announced that war stamps are on sale at the windows.

Nellie Hurst, woman police matron, said that all parcel-post packages will be inspected at the administrative building between the hour of 1 to 3 p.m.

All mails having no Center addresses must be held for at the post office window after 11 a.m.

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

There are nearly 400 residents in the Center and employment for all of them is virtually impossible. Clerical and office jobs are unobtainable and a great demand for messhall workers must be supplied immediately. Unless more men and women can be placed on the messhall payroll, each family will be asked to volunteer in shifts on "no work, no eat basis."

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MARRIAGES

Wedding bell rang sonorously prior to departure of the Center. Among the ones to be married were Mrs. Okada and May Machida who exchanged nuptial vows last Friday, May 8 at the Baptist Church. Groom's brother, Shigenobu Okada acted as best man and on Hayashi and Peter Kura as ushers. Miss Machida was the bride. The newlyweds were formerly employed with the auto, and have taken up residence at Blk. 4, Barr. 2. Susumu Jinbo and Kay of Sacramento were married Wednesday, May 13.

RECREATION HALL

The Center's most crowded barrack is the Recreation Hall, supervised by Fern Ambrose. His duty of checking and caring for the various equipments is shared by two capable assistants, Jim Hashimoto and Seime Hayashi, both of whom are prominent sports enthusiasts.

Ping pong, checkers, horseshoes, and other games are available at the desk.

LAUNDRY BATH

Center's night watchman found an unidentified aged Issei taking a bath in the Block 1 laundry house, using the cement bathtub. The man was hastened out of the house as soon as he was discovered. (With his clothes on, of course).

DONATIONS

Two reams of mimeograph papers were donated to The Wasp by the Japanese Methodist Church of Sacramento.

No. 1 messhall crew donated a sum of 50 cents to The Wasp, and boxes of paper clips and rubber bands were the gifts of Eureka Satow.

The piano in the Recreation hall is the donation of Takemoto drug store.

POLICE DEPT.

Center's police dept. will be located in front of warehouse No. 19, revealed J.G. Heckes, chief of police. With reasonable certainty, press office of The Wasp will adjoin the police building.

LETTERS TO THE GRIPE BOX

Dear Editor: What gripes me is the pride that some of us still have. Why can't people realize that they can't eat without us working in the kitchen.

We do one of the dirtiest works in camp and get the lowest wage but we're not kicking.

Let's pitch in and do our share!

A messboy

Dear Editor: My hair is getting atrociously long. My one and only demand is that the barber shop establish an "Advice to the Barber" column. - Editor to open up.

"Waiting"

Dear Editor: My girl isn't here yet, darn it. What's keeping her? K.O.

Dear Editor: Our camp is getting messy with lots of scraps strewn about the ground. Let's make it a point for each of us to throw rubbishes properly in waste barrels.

"I like it neat"

Dear Editor: There is a cute girl living next door to me. Tell me how I can get acquainted with her?

"Lonely Heart"

With due regrets, we feel too incompetent to advise you on your delicate problem. If the demand is great, we will be avoiding me. When is established an "Advice to the Barber" column. - Editor to open up.

Dear Editor: I have noticed some people taking home girl papers out of the lavatories. "That's hitting below the belt."

VICTORY GARDEN

Frank Higashino, Blk. 2 Barr. 2-E, is the first to plant flowers around his apartment on a large scale. Higashino was formerly a florist in Sacramento.

KINDERGARDEN

A pre-school recreation center opened Monday morning, May 16, from 9 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily at the camp grove near the hospital for the purpose of registration.

Directors in charge are Mary Machida, Nancy Fukuhara and Mary Ishii.

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age groups. He suggested groups consisting of young people ranging from 6 to 12 years, 12 to 18, and 18 up.

Dave Okada led the hymn singing.

CANTEEN TO OPEN

In all probability, Walterga's general store will open Wednesday, May 20.

Residents are asked to turn soda bottles to the st or price will have to be raised.

EXCHANGE

The Wasp received five copies of Santa Anita "Pacemaker" and found them "not bad" for high school journalists.

機械完了
在住者全部の撤退を
移完通り完了。ここで當

集合所の人實は三千八百
名に達したと云はれる。

テルタ地方九百五十名

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の中でバスをうろこ
洗面所を使用す
たしと

恭の尊にも來つて
受け入人は五月二十日
午後一時より三時半
に五月十二日に種痘を

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の濯ぎ水を流し場
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