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FOOD HANDLERS TAKE T.B. TEST

Tuberculin tests for all persons handling food in the Colony will have been completed by Monday, the Public Health Department announced.

Tests for all wards, except five and six, were finished Friday. Food handlers responded favorably and cooperation was shown in all respects, it was added.

CIVIC BANQUET

DUTY IS TO ADMINISTER WRA POLICY...COVERLEY

"My duty will be not to make a program of my own, but to administer the WRA policy--that of resettlement," Harvey M. Coverley, new project director, stated at a Civic banquet held in his honor last Friday evening.

"I won't make any prom-

ises that I know I can't keep," he went on, "as it is better to say no in the interest of the majority than to say yes in the interests of few."

A response in behalf of the Civic Organizations was made by Kihoi Ikeda, after the address by Coverley.

A presentation of the key to the City was made by Harry Mayeda, chairman of the City Council.

Entertainment was provided by the recreation department, with Kumoo Yoshinari in charge. Ted Nakamura was toastmaster for the evening.

LITTLE THEATER PUBLIC DEBUT IS TONIGHT

When the curtains open tonight from 8:15 p.m., the January presentation of the Little Theater's three-one-act plays will once again draw the City's show-goers to playhouse #408 this week and the following week.

The plays are "Grandma

Pulls the Strings"--a light comedy, "Beauty and Jacobin"--a drama, and "Boor"--a serious comedy.

Tickets are now on sale for wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 at their respective block managers' offices at 10¢ apiece. Wards 5, 6, and 7 will see the plays next week and tickets will be on sale five days before the scheduled ward performance. Admission at the door will be 15¢.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR KIKUE ARAO

Memorial service for Kikue Arao is to be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at #2820. Pvt. Dave Arao, who was engaged to the deceased, arrived from Arkansas for the service.

NIGHT LEAVE PASS NEEDED

Although night passes are at present not needed for the warehouse and other areas within the Project Center they are still necessary for persons leaving the center for work in the Project Area, such as on the farm, Harold S. Jacoby, chief of internal security, said.

147 COAL CARS UNLOADED DURING RECENT EMERGENCY PERIOD..

Colonists breathe a easier today as the coal crisis was over with 52 carloads unloaded on Friday and 26 on Saturday,

clearing the railway siding, Noboru Shirai, executive secretary of the City Council, declared.

A total of 147 carloads of fuel has been hauled, with more expected. The latter can be handled by the regular coal crew, Shirai, said.

HE WAITED..... AND WAITED

AWARD ARRIVES 7 YEARS LATER

"Better Late Than Never."

George Egusa, Director of Boys and Girls Activities of the Recreation department, has one over on the National Broadcasting Company.

It seems that back in 1935, George appeared on the Western Farm and Home Hour of the NBC. Early last week, after waiting seven years, George rece-

ived a certificate for the 4-H Club Honor Roll from the radio network "in recognition of outstanding participation on the Western Farm and Home Hour."

"Was our face red" started the letter which accompanied the certificate. Egusa was engaged in farming in Puyallup, Wash. prior to evacuation.

MESS #720 CLOSED TO PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

Effective immediately, mess hall #720 will not be available for community activities, it was reported.

The hall is to be used for dining purposes hereafter. All applications for the use of this hall have been cancelled.

GALLUP POLL

RESULTS SHOW 53% IN FAVOR OF EVACUEE RETURN

Results of a recent survey by the Gallup Poll in California, Washington, Oregon, Arizona and Nevada favored the return of citizens of Japanese ancestry back to the coast, Pacific Citizen reported.

Fifty-three percent of the total vote were sympathetic in allowing the Japanese to return to their former homes.

Twenty-four percent would permit only citizens to return, while 20 percent was in favor of accepting all.

Thirty-one percent did not want the Japanese back and the remaining 16 percent was "undecided at present."

The American Institute of Public Opinion, conductors of the Gallup Poll, reported that "the country as a whole is more tolerant than the residents of the western area alone."

Seventy-one percent would allow Japanese to return, while 22 percent were undecided.

The Poll also asked if responders will hire Japanese as servants after the war and whether they would patronize Japanese operated stores. 24 percent replied that they would hire Japanese and 38 percent would trade at stores operated by Japanese.

"It is the kind of question on which the state of public opinion has a most important bearing, because the solution to the problem will depend in large measure on the relative amount of hostility in the western states most concerned," the Institute said.

LINOTYPIST

Anyone with some experience in operation of a linotype is asked to contact Frank Fagan at Placement Office.

COMMENT... TACOMA NEWS

In view of the fact that a recent Gallup poll showed some opposition to Japanese returning to their Pacific Coast homes, it is encouraging to note that certain powerful elements still look upon evacuation as foolish and unfair.

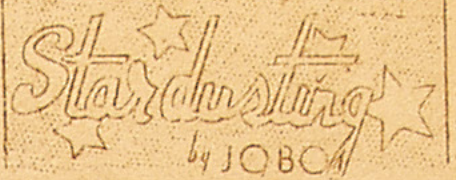
Says the Tacoma News Tribune in an editorial in their Jan. 11 edition: "How much better it would have been if the government had permitted the Japanese to continue to work their farms under guard, producing food so badly needed. It would have saved millions of dollars spent in the construction of these internment camps and would have been a common sense as well as merciful solution of the problem."

The Tribune was commenting on a Red Cross report which stated that American war prisoners work an eight-hour day in docks and factories in Japan.

LITERATURE NISEI HAVE STORIES TO WRITE NOW

Nisei literature, as such, never got beyond the talking stage. It gasped occasionally, it gurgled now and again. But it never found full voice... But last year the nisei started to grow up. Experience makes men and women out of us, if we are strong enough. Last year the nisei went through an almost devastating human experience.... We believe a whole body of authentic nisei literature will grow out of evacuation. The story is here. We must write it ourselves.

(Ann Nisei in Pac Citizen)



HARDENED REALITY....

Yesterday we heard of an ex-Berkeley girl who alone rushed to New York just immediately prior to evacuation spending all her money for train fare.

Penniless, she wandered aimlessly in the metropolis searching for a job. Only out of desperation, she went to the local "Y" for assistance. The "Y" promptly sheltered her and found her a job.

We admire her gumption and the human efforts of many Caucasians out east in fitting estranged nisei into their community.

The irony and the heartbreak of evacuation has embittered many a heart but deep down inside of us, it is doing wonders. It is slowly, inevitably forcing nisei to break out of their eggshells, from relative security into a life of hardened reality.

MRS. KAWANO'S BOY....

Last week George Kawano, a Dispatch boy, left for Michigan. Through the six month of close association with him, we heard many a harsh word from him.

A clean kid, he worked and played hard. He never failed us when something had to be done. We remember the countless nights grinding the mimeograph with him so that the paper came out the next day.

We love that boy. They don't come any better.

God speed you, George. God speed you!

A MESSAGE TO MANZANAR

In the Jan. 1 issue of your estimable paper Free Press, you were high in your feeling that Manzanar was the first to have a bona fide Co-op.

For your information, may we advise you that in Tule Lake our Community Enterprises were turned over to Cooperative Enterprises on Dec. 1, 1942.