

R E G I S T R A T I O N N O T I C E

New registration procedure to be placed in effect

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The following announcement has been approved by the Project Director:

One week ago we began the registration of all evacuees in the Tule Lake Relocation Center 17 years of age or over. As you are aware, this registration is compulsory. The War Department requires it of all citizen males 17 years of age or over. The War Relocation Authority requires it of all other persons in the Center 17 years of age or over.

For the convenience of Center residents, a plan was adopted whereby each person required to register might do so in the local block manager's office. This provided an easy and dignified way of complying with this instruction. Unfortunately, the response has been unsatisfactory. Consequently, a new plan is to be placed in effect. It is regretted that under this new plan, registration will be much less convenient, but it makes possible controlled registration, free from interference or hindrance.

Effective Wednesday evening, February 17, registration in block managers' offices will cease.

Effective Thursday morning, February 18, all registrations will be made in the Administration area.

Beginning on that morning male citizens 17 years of age and over who have not registered will do so in the Administration Recreation Hall.

Each day there will be published the blocks which are to register on the next day. Beginning on the same morning, all female citizens 17 years of age and over will register in the visitors building in the administration area.

Each day there will be published the blocks from which these persons will register on the following day.

After the registration of citizens, both male and female has been completed, the registration of aliens, both male and female, will begin. As in the case of citizens, alien men and women will register in separate buildings. When the time comes, it will be announced from which blocks men and women will register each day.

As each person registers, he will be given a certificate of registration. This certificate must be carried at all times. Failure to have the certificate in your possession when questioned will be considered as evidence of non-registration. Registration certificates will be mailed within a few days to those persons who have already registered. Each registration office will have in its possession a complete list of the names of the persons who are required to register on each day. Each night it will be known what persons failed to register.

As has been stated on many occasions, the registration of male citizens is a positive order of the War Department. Male citizens have no choice as to whether they wish to register or not. In the case of female citizens and aliens, the registration is made compulsory by the War Relocation Authority.

The purposes of the registration have been widely published and discussed in many meetings. The questions concerning the registration which have been presented to the administration have been answered. Many additional questions have been answered at meetings attended by various representatives of the administration.

The entire program affords, by far, the finest opportunity that has come to the people of Japanese ancestry since the evacuation. We are sure that our National Director, Mr. Myer, is confident that this is the beginning step in a process which will gradually reduce the restrictions placed on the Japanese Americans.

With this realization, we are sure that we can count on your cooperation in this registration program. To do otherwise would not only be contrary to Government orders but against your own best interests.

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N O T I C E

Registration for Thursday

Male citizens 17 years of age and over in the following blocks will register in the Administration Recreation Hall, Thursday, February 18:

Blocks 13, 25, 32, 9, 42, 53

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Female citizens 17 years of age and over in the following blocks will register Thursday, February 18, in the Visitors Building, opposite Wing 3 of the Administration Building:

Blocks 15, 38, 36, 21, 44, 70

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