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PLANNING BOARD ELECTION HELD

EDITOR IMAZEKI LEAVES QUIETLY FOR BEET HARVEST

Many a bus has roared away in front of THE DISPATCH office transporting hundreds of young men to the beet fields of Idaho and Montana to alleviate the labor shortage. But on Saturday, the sleek, blue bus carried away grim, determined Editor Howard Imazeki leaving the publication staff momentarily suspended in chaos and disorganization.

Blessed with a rare sense of humor, and good nature, coupled with a gift of writing with a pen dipped in acid, Imazeki's absence will be sorely missed. "I like to get away from it all," he mused. "I'm curious to see what it's like outside."

18-year-old Katsuro Murakami, THE DISPATCH's ex-promotion manager, accompanied Imazeki to the beet fields. He said he could hardly wait "til he could feel the hardness of the sidewalk and ice cream soda sliding" down his throat.

Bill Muratani and Tom Sorba also on the staff are scheduled to leave for Wesleyan College, South Dakota on Thursday.

Meanwhile, George Nakamura will guide THE DISPATCH during Imazeki's absence.

All Project departments are requested to assist the reorganized staff by submitting their bulletins at least 24 hours ahead of press time.

Block elections for advisory positions on the planning board have neared completion throughout the City, with the first organization meeting expected to be held later this week.

The board will form an issei-nisei committee to plan for future betterment of the community.

From the Block returns, one member will be selected to be a member of the planning board. All ward representatives will be issei, with one councilman and the executive secretary of the council being the nisei members.

The planning board will later hire three technicians to do research work for the board. All other members' work are on a voluntary basis.

APPLY FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Last day for California voters to file application for absentee ballots will be Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Blanks are available at the Legal Aid department at the administration building.

All voters are urged to exercise their franchise rights. (For editorial comment, see page 2.)

OTSUYA

An otsuya service for Kinjiro Kito, 52, of #4704-A, who died of heart failure, will be held Monday from 7 p.m. at #4708.

The funeral service will be held from 2 p.m., Tuesday at #4708. Ex-Marysville resident, Kito was a Proj. warden.

HALLOWEEN MASKS

Masks are being made by Tri-State Girl Reserves to be sold to all Masqueraders during the Harvest Festival for five cents apiece. Special orders are taken at #1808.

COOP AND CANTEEN MEET

At the invitation of Kendall Smith, community enterprise supervisor, a get-acquainted meeting between the co-operative incorporators and the canteen personnel was held at #1608 Thursday night.

Mutual understanding relative to the transfer of community enterprise over to cooperative was reached.

The canteen personnel extended an invitation to the members of the Board of Incorporators to visit the canteen, and examine the merchandise or records.

A similar invitation was extended by the Incorporators.

The group decided to meet oftener in the future.

Kendall Smith is to leave for St. Louis on a business trip.

"SLOPPY" COOS

"Sloppy" Oshita's tall figure stood out among the women crowded around him the other day.

The feminine clientele were cooing: "Isn't he cute!" "Oh, what a darling!" "Look at his lovely eyes!" and other mushy remarks.

On the rec. leader's face was an expression of satisfaction and pride.

For, you see, "Sloppy" was letting the gals fondle his new pup—a fat little hunting dog.

"KEEP 'EM CLEAN" WEEK

Although the City-wide clean-up week has not been officially set, Colonists are urged to rid their apartments and pro-

mise of all waste and to safeguard health and as a precaution against fire. Bring all trash to the block garbage depots.

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With more and more encouraging letters coming in from the various beet fields, many more fellows and families, and even girls, have begun leaving this project for work in the beet fields of Idaho, Oregon, Montana, N. Dakota, etc. Many incidents of discrimination have been vastly improved according to the latest news coming in from the outside.

From Ted Shigeno in Corvallis, Montana comes the following: "We visited the only Japanese family in the vicinity yesterday. They received us well and talked about the various conditions here. Seems that the prejudice we feel came into existence soon as we started to come in. I feel that it is getting much better than what it was at the first."

It is good to know that our fellows are being better received than at first. The Japanese family mentioned in Ted's letter is the Miharas. And incidentally, Ted mentions about the two girls in the family. Not bad too!

Especially from Idaho comes word of swell treatment. Words from other parts of Montana say that things are good too, one person even buying a car and enjoying life as is being lived by all free persons.

Here in the DISPATCH office two good men will be lost to the beet field of Caldwell, Idaho. Our boss Howard and his cohort, the irreplaceable Katsuro, are the two that could not resist the call of adventure. They intend to be back within a month but we wonder.

Changing the subject, the latest fad that has taken the residents by storm is the mystifying "cuiji" board. According to the "reliable" source we will all be cleared out of here within a period of three years! Oh boy, or is it Oh shucks?

EDITORIAL COMMENTS BY H.M.I.

STRENGTH OF CHARACTER

IN A NORMAL, PEACEFUL TIME, WHEN PLEASANT THINGS in abundance, it is hard to measure a man's character. But the depth of his character and breeding shows its mark when things begin to turn away from his desires, when he comes face to face with something out of ordinary: crisis.

How well one has learned to adjust himself in a critical situation is the indication of his strength of character and intelligence, and not the amount of knowledge he has gained by schooling. This may sound like a Sunday School classroom talk, but it is nonetheless true at all times.

As a race, the Japanese people in America today are now face to face with a critical time in their life. By our conduct today, we are writing several important pages of the history of mankind. With the spirit of humbleness and a feeling of appreciation for this Providence, my people, I am confident, will overcome the present adversity before long: thus glorifying the strength of our racial character.

LEADERSHIP

SO SPEEDY AND COMPLETE WAS THE ACT OF EVACUATION that the economic and social stability of the Japanese people on the west coast was shaken from its foundation. Added to this was the indiscriminate deprivation of the civil rights of the Japanese-American citizens. Out of this was born the sense of frustration and its consequent loss of human hope and ambition that the majority of the evacuees are suffering today.

Some of our self-styled leaders in the Colony are capitalizing on this very misfortune by goading and magnifying our sense of frustration. This creates self-pity and retards social amelioration.

What we demand of our leaders here today are their efforts to set our new goal in life, to recreate new ambition -- and to stir in us the dauntless spirit to fight for tomorrow's dawn: instead of wallowing in the stagnant pool of frustration.

Many of us are sick mentally and spiritually. Don't let us lie sick any longer. We want to live. We want to live good and strong. Give us your enlightened leadership.

CITIZENSHIP

WE WERE AROUSED THE OTHER DAY WHEN IT BECAME KNOWN that there is an attempt being made in Congress to take away citizenship rights from some of our American-born Japanese. Attempts are constantly made by ill-guided patriotic groups at present to push a constitutional amendment to deprive American-born Japanese of their citizenship.

We believe in the enlightened leadership of President Roosevelt so much so that this sort of un-American act shall not come to pass. However, franchise rights are good only when they are practiced by those who have them. It is a pity, therefore, that a great number of citizens in the Colony are not making themselves available to apply for absentee ballots. The general election is coming on November 3. WAKE UP, CITIZENS!