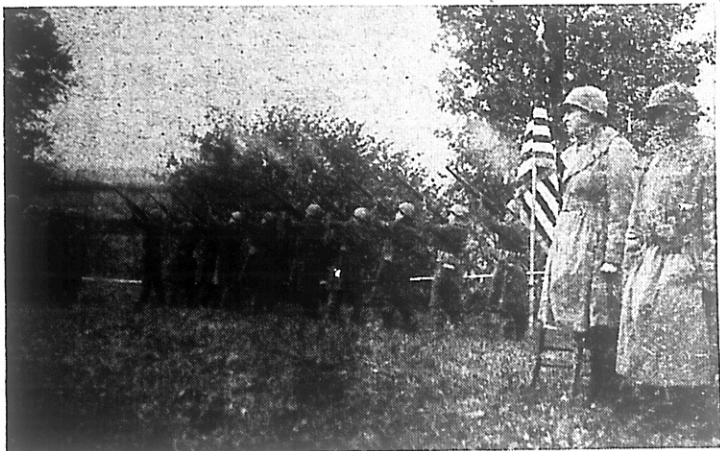


Nisei Names Back on Hood River Honor Roll

Honoring the Dead of the 'Fighter's' Unit



In a field somewhere in northeastern France, American soldiers of Japanese ancestry of the 442nd regimental combat team, who have won their second Presidential Distinguished Unit citation for breaking the German line of resistance, pause in the fighting to honor comrades who have fallen in battle. The nisei honor guard is shown firing a salute to their comrade dead.

Pacific Citizen—U.S. Signal Corps Photo

Nisei Soldiers Win Second Presidential Citation

American soldiers of Japanese ancestry have been awarded their second Presidential Distinguished Unit citation, according to a United Press dispatch passed by the field press censor of SHEAF, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, according to information received this week.

The awarding of the Distinguished Unit citation to the nisei soldiers was disclosed in a dispatch reporting that 1st. Lt. Edward J. Nilges, Fairview Village, Ohio, had been promoted to the rank of captain with the 442nd.

The story continued that "it was during the Alsace campaign that the officer acted as the

plans and operations officer for the Japanese American task force which received a Presidential citation as a Distinguished unit for smashing the German main line of resistance in that sector."

The 100th infantry battalion, now incorporated with the 442nd combat team, was previously awarded a Presidential citation for action near Sassetta, Italy, in June, 1944.

The United Press report told of the action of units of the Japanese American combat team in routing out at least three battalions of the enemy and paving the way for the liberation of two strategic lines.

"The mission of the task force," the dispatch stated, "was to encircle German defensive positions while driving toward villages straddling the main German escape routes out of the valley. Enemy resistance was fierce because the Wehrmacht was securely entrenched along a railroad track and the forward slope of a commanding ridge. The team did not know where the Germans might be or in what numbers. They had only a slight idea of their position and knew that there were about three battalions in that sector. "Somehow the group managed to pass the German sentries and the outer patrols without being seen or heard."

The dispatch quoted Pfc. Minato Masunaga, a member of the task force:

"We couldn't see a foot ahead of us. It was cold and wet, with fog or something making it extra tough."

"We didn't know what it was all about, but we knew it was something big, so we were all keyed up," another member of the force added. "We knew we were in the Jerry lines and we moved along like Indians. We

couldn't make any noise or take a false step. We were lucky, though, 'cause we passed some mighty bad spots without Jerry even guessing."

The Germans were caught off balance by the attacking battalion, which drove east by north, catching the enemy in a death vise. German infantrymen fled into houses, into the brush and into the forest. When that we were passing through," they hid in a house, mortar-men smoked them out. When they hid in barns or tried to escape through the brush and trees machine gunners and Browning automatic riflemen opened fire.

Once the Germans recovered from the surprise attack, they bombarded the charging Japanese Americans with their artillery, mortars and self-propelled guns from their positions farther up the sloping ridge. The task force continued to drive against them with dogged determination, the UP reported.

The operations of the Japanese American task force were summarized in the routing of

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Post Agrees With Demand Following Sharp Protests From Legion Commander

In the face of national criticism, the Hood River post of the American Legion reversed its position and restored 15 of 16 nisei names that had been erased from the memorial honor roll, it was announced by the national commander of the organization in Indianapolis this week.

Hostel Opens In Los Angeles For Relocatees

The first hostel for relocatees returning to Los Angeles has been established and already is in use, according to a letter received here from American Friends Service committee and the Presbyterian church.

The new lodging place, named the Evergreen Hostel, at 506 North Evergreen avenue, is under the direction of Rev. Sobel Kowata and Miss Esther B. Rhoads.

The demand for temporary lodging facilities has been so great that already the hostel has allowed guests to stay at the building, in spite of the fact that renovation is not yet complete, the letter said.

Application for lodging should be made well in advance. Arrangements can be made by writing to Reverend Kowata or Miss Rhoads.

The names were removed Dec. 2, and members of the post were adamant until the national head of the legion, churches, scores of newspapers and active servicemen from all theaters of war demanded the restoration of names of American soldiers of Japanese ancestry to the memorial standing before the Hood River city hall.

The Hood River post, judging from newspaper reports, did not even have the backing of its townspeople. The Hood River News, the Yakima Daily Republic and major papers of both Washington and Oregon, handled the situation on a factual basis, many of them publishing editorials condemning the stand of the local legion.

Besides the pressure from local groups against the legion's action, servicemen from every theater of war, particularly those who have served with the nisei fighters, wrote scathing denunciations.

Edward N. Scheiberling, national commander of the American Legion, in condemning the action of the Hood River post, declared:

"The American Legion has always maintained that bigotry and race hatred have no place in American life, and the action of this one individual post, of more than 12,245 posts of the American Legion, was ill-considered, ill-advised and contrary to the ideals and purposes for which the American Legion is organized."

Following the commander's statement, no action was taken by the group other than to announce that nothing would be done "at this time."

The Hood River post did respond, however, when Commander Scheiberling threatened an investigation.

O. E. Palmeter, national legion committeeman of Salem, Ore., said that such an inquiry might end in the post's losing its charter. Warren P. Forman, Portland state legion executive committeeman, said the committee was awaiting word from Scheiberling when the Hood River post announced that it would reinscribe the names.

Chief among the servicemen protesting the removal of the names were members of the Famous Texas 36th division, a part of which composed the "Lost Battalion" which was rescued by the nisei troops of the equally famous 442nd combat team.

Even local soldiers in the Hood River area, strenuously protested the discrimination.

Nine Will Face Gambling Count

Nine men will face charges in district court for conducting a gambling establishment following their arrest Saturday night in a raid at 22-8-B in which 14 other men, including Kiyochi Dol, chairman of the Heart Mountain judicial commission, were picked up by police.

The nine men charged with gambling operations are: Tadashi Emoto, Masao Hada, Masato Hashimoto, Roy Mansho, Yoshimi Matsunaga, Danjo Miyatake, Jutaro Shiono, Genchi Takeuchi and James Tsuchiya. They were arraigned before Justice of Peace W. S. Owen in Cody Monday and were bound over to district court. Bail was set at \$350 for each offender.

Those who were present in the gambling house at the time of the raid are: Kiyochi Dol, Togoro Iguchi, Shigeru Imokawa, Kiechi Ishimoto, Tatsuhei Koshiyama, Sadakichi Matsunaga, Tamekichi Miyahara, Bulchi Nishikawa, Kinoshuke Nagata, Tadao Sekiguchi, Shimpel Shimizu, Yasuhei Suto, Hideo Take and Mantaro Umemoto.

Judge Dol and the 13 others who were picked up in the police dragnet, may be tried before Project Director Guy Robertson as frequenters of a gambling establishment contrary to project regulation and the project judicial code.

Camp Casualties Now Total 504

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Casualties among nisei soldiers from relocation centers as of Feb. 24, total 504, according to the Statistics section of WRA. The total does not include casualties of non-evacuees, volunteer evacuees or from Hawaii.

The casualties were listed:

Killed	-----113
Wounded	-----375
Missing	-----16

Minidoka relocation center had the largest number killed with 23 while Rohwer center listed 17 killed.

Heart Mountain center had seven killed and 37 wounded.

'Honorable Son' Dropping 'Roses' On 'Tokyo Rose'

OMAHA, Neb. — "Honorable Son" Sgt. Ben Kuroki, much-decorated nisei flying gunner who has seen action in Africa and Europe and one of the few survivors of the original Ploesti oil field raid, now concentrates on dropping "roses" to "Tokyo Rose."

In a letter to VFW Judge Advocate C. F. Mulvihill, Sergeant Kuroki, now stationed "somewhere in the Marianas" wrote: "I have to be careful not to go walking in my sleep, or some yardbird would take a couple shots at me." Sergeant Kuroki is a member of the Omaha post.

The winner of two DFCs with Oak Leaf clusters, continued: "I'm sure that if more people could see the actual tragedies on the battlefronts they would be resolved to make this the last war," but he added, "I must concentrate on dropping some 'roses' on Tokyo Rose."

With The Churches

Community Christian Church
6 a.m. morning prayer meeting, both churches; 9 a.m. Sunday school for beginners and primary classes, 25-26, 12-25; 9 a.m. Sunday school classes for juniors and intermediates, 28-26, 9-26; 9:30 a.m. Japanese morning worship, 22-26; 10 a.m. seniors and young people's Sunday school; 10:30 a.m. worship, south church; 11 a.m. adult English church, 22-26; 1:30 p.m. Happy Time club meeting, 22-26-N; 6:30 p.m. Chi Sigma Lambda meeting; 7:30 p.m. Japanese C.E. meeting, both churches.

Heart Mt. Buddhist Church
9 a.m. Sunday school, 8-25, 15-26, 22-25, 23-26; 10:30 a.m. Junior YBA services, 29-26; 10:45 a.m. senior YBA services, 17-25; 2 p.m. adult services, 8-25, 15-26, 17-25, 29-26; Mar. 14, mid-week services, 17-25.

Seventh-Day Adventist Church
Mar. 10, all meetings and services at 23-26-N; 9 a.m. Sabbath school for kindergarten, primary, junior and seniors, 10:40 a.m. church services; 2 p.m. YPMV meeting, 23-3-C; 3 p.m. Bible study, 23-3-E; Mar. 14, 8 p.m. prayer meeting, 14-19-E.

Catholic Church
All functions at 14-25-N with Father R. D. Petipren. Mar. 10, 10 a.m. Chi Rho junior choir practice; Mar. 11, 8:45 a.m. confessions, 1 a.m. mass; 9:45 a.m. catechism, senior class; Mar. 14, 6:30 p.m. Chi Rho senior choir practice; 7:30 p.m. stations of the cross; 8 p.m. confessions; Mar. 15, 7:15 a.m. mass.

Death Takes Local Resident

Funeral arrangements are pending for Mrs. Ito Morimoto, 62, of 2-5-B, who died last Monday.

Residents having private cars in the center are requested to contact the police station, 21-26-S, immediately, according to Rosie Matsui, chief of police.

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'City of Brotherly Love' Proves Its Point to Nisei School Girl

PHILADELPHIA — "Philadelphia is really a city of brotherly love," says Florence Setsuko Ozaki, 14-year-old Philadelphia resident from Mindoka, who experienced the friendliness of Philadelphia when she lost her purse the other day on the way to school. This is how "Sets", as her family and friends call her, tells the story:

"I paid my fare as I got on the trolley and stood in the crowded aisle until it came to a stop at 45th Street. Lots of West Catholic high school girls got off at this corner, and I sat down with a sigh. Suddenly I looked down at my books and I couldn't find my purse. It had my allowance money, WRA identification card, lipstick, pen, and other little junkies. I began to think. Did I leave it at home? No, I couldn't have, for I remembered carrying it on top of my books. Besides I had paid my fare a few minutes ago. I got panicky and started looking all around the trolley.

"The conductor asked me what happened, and when I told him, the others heard me. Some of them helped me to look for the purse, but it was nowhere in sight and I sat down. Then I felt a light tap on my shoulders. A lady said that she had seen a student girl getting off at 45th Street pick up a black purse and walk away. She suggested that I go to the West Catholic school office after school to see if my purse had been turned in.

Then the conductor leaned over, smiled, and said: "Do you have money for lunch and fare home?" I shook my head 'cause I didn't. All I had was in my lost purse. The conductor fished into his pocket, and pulled out a half dollar. "Here, take this," he said. "Have a nice hot lunch at school and there'll even be some change left for your fare home. You can pay me back next time you see me. All right?"

When I reached home, I reported my loss. Dr. Gordon, the school's doctor, told me not to worry, that my purse would find its way back to me after school

I stopped at the West Catholic high to see about my purse, but no luck. When I got home and climbed slowly up the stairs, I opened the door and there on the living room table was my purse, or was it mine? I hurried over and looked inside, and heavens, it was mine! But gee whiz, how did it get here?

"I found out when my roommate came home from work. She told me that an aged man had come to the apartment in the morning with the purse. He had found it in the street near 45th Street. Thank goodness, it had my WRA identification card and some letters from friends. Nothing was missing from the purse. This aged man was honest and kind enough to take the time and trouble to bring it back to me!

"I have found that there are lots of kind people like him, the conductor, that lady on the trolley, and Dr. Gordon here in Philadelphia. People will smile and talk to you on the streets, and several times that I have been lost, they have looked at me wandering around and asked me if they couldn't help me. I didn't even have to ask! I have made a lot of swell friends here."

"Sets" Ozaki came to Philadelphia last December to join her sister Mariko, a secretary in the local WRA relocation office. Their mother, Mrs. Komatsu Ozaki, and brothers George and Henry will soon leave Mindoka to join the girls in Philadelphia, where "Sets" attends Shaw Junior high school. She has two older brothers, Corporal Mike Ozaki, who is stationed in Warrenton, Va., and Yukio, who relocated to Chicago, Ill. The Ozaki family formerly lived in Seattle, Wash.

Yoshiharas Now 'At Home'; Life Resumes at Oyster Beds

SHELTON, Wash. — Welcomed by friendly Caucasian neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. George Yoshihara are "at home" once again having arrived two weeks ago from Granada relocation center.

While they are both working hard to get their house and oyster beds in order again, the beaming couple took time off to tell two WRA representatives who called on them, of the wonderful welcome extended by neighbors. "When we arrived here, our good neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stevens, invited us to be their house guests for three days so that we could get our own place in livable condition again," Yoshihara said.

"They even had a chicken dinner for us on Sunday, and a lot of the other neighbors telephoned us to say that they were very glad we were back again," added Mrs. Yoshihara. "We have even had people stop by and try to buy Olympia oysters from us in the few days we have been here, but we had to tell them to come back some other time, because we haven't any yet. They all said they would be back."

"We went into Shelton to buy supplies and we called on several people we had done business with in the past, and others who have always been friends. Mr. Carson, of the Shelton branch of the Seattle First National bank and Mr. Elliott of the L. & M department store

were both glad to see us, and acted very friendly. One of the leading business men in town took my husband by both hands and tears sprang to his eyes when he told him how happy he was to see him once more," Mrs. Yoshihara added.

The Yoshiharas are the only Japanese family who have returned to the small community of oystermen from Hood Canal. They have lived there for nearly 20 years, and in the community for 40 years. Yoshihara said they had always been a part of the community activities and civic celebrations, such as school Christmas parties, Red Cross committees and other functions.

Awarded Second Unit Citation

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at least three German battalions out of their secured positions and the attack opened the way to two important towns. The Japanese Americans killed 80 Germans by small-arms fire, with 200 to 350 more dead. Jerries who probably were killed by artillery fire. They took 56 prisoners.

The UP report stated that the Japanese American task force suffered only three casualties, two of which were only slightly wounded.

FAREWELL-THANK YOU

May we take this means to express our sincere appreciation to block 2 residents and friends for the many courtesies extended us during our residence here. We have gone back to our former home in San Jose, Calif.

Masaki Chikuma
Mae, Alice and Karin Chikuma
Teddy and Allen Chikuma

THANK YOU

May I take this means to express my sincere gratitude to doctors, hospital staff and friends for the care and consideration given me during my recent stay in the hospital.

Juhei Okamoto, 14-18-E

FAREWELL-THANK YOU

May we take this means to express our sincere appreciation to scouts, block 27 residents and friends for the many courtesies extended us during our residence here. We have gone back to our former home and business in San Jose, Calif.

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Kiyoshi Sakamoto

GOVERNING THE Heartbeat

Honoring
YAEKO IKEGAMI, Boy Scout secretary, who left Tuesday for San Jose, Calif., the Scout staff tendered a farewell party last week at its headquarters, 16-N. Miss Ikegami was presented with a gift from the staff. Tak Motoyasu and Ichiro Kamel were in charge of refreshments. The evening was spent in playing ping-pong and cards.

In Honor of
KAY KAWANAMI, who left for Minneapolis Wednesday, a farewell get-together was held by a group of friends Sunday at the home of Carmen Ishibashi, 23-20-D. Guests were Annie Shimasaki, Kiku Imura, Toshiko Washio, Toshiko Oshita, Susie Nakata and Shig Motoyasu.

A Birthday Party
 was given by TREA HAMAZAWA Sunday at her home, 30-2-C. Guests were Doug Kagawa, Mas Tachibana, Jane Matsubara, Barbara Matsubara, Grace Nishimoto, Amos Akizuki, Herman Santo, Kayo Hayashi and Yuri Kawakami.

A Theatre Party
 was enjoyed by a group of residents Monday at Cody. Among those present were Lucy Matsunaga, Mary Watanabe, Naoko Yoshimura and Setsuko Sumii.

A Farewell Party
 in honor of FRANCES KOSHIYAMA, who left for Utah today, was given by the social welfare section Thursday at the personnel recreation hall. Adeline Kell, Fern Mauch, Berta Choda, Elizabeth Applebee and Murray Daninhsrsh were in charge of general arrangements.

The Green Gables Inn
 was the setting for an informal get-together held by a group of residents Monday. Those present were Mary Morisawa, Kimi Akamatsu, Jane Matsubara, Misako Okano and Michi Naito.

Celebrating
 their first girls' day, JOYCE and GAYLE UYEDA were honored at a supper given by their grandmother, Mrs. Kiyu Uyeda, at 22-24-F. Present were members of the immediate families and relatives.

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Program Slated By Girl Scouts

Girl Scouts of Heart Mountain will hold their fourth semi-annual court of awards 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18, at the high school auditorium.

The opening ceremony will be led by Setsuko Okada. Junzo Ohara has been named official bugler. The program includes salute to the flag, reciting of the Girl Scout promise and law, and singing of Star Spangled Banner and the Scout song.

A singspration will be led by Moody Ikegami and Tomoko Omachi. Greetings will be extended by Priscilla Yokota, director of the local organization.

A short drama, "Alice Blue Gown", will be presented by the Senior Scouts under the direction of Jean Cooper. Betty Kautzman and Dixie Boyer. Joy Krueger, art instructor, will be in charge of stage settings.

Achievement badges will be awarded to senior and intermediate scouts. Following the presentation, the drill team, supervised by Reiko Ohara, will give a demonstration. Kimiko Nagashima will be in charge of closing ceremonies. "Taps" will conclude the program.

The advisory committee consists of Mesdames Guy Robertson, M. O. Anderson, H. Embree, E. T. Ebert, J. K. Corbett and V. J. Ryan. Those on the standing committee are Mesdames S. Fujise, program; H. Hatakeyama, finance; M. Newton, public relations, and M. Morikawa, out-of-doors. Miss Yokota, director, is assisted by Mrs. Mary Umemoto, senior and intermediate coordinator; Kazuo Hitomi, Brownie coordinator, and Margaret Osuga, public relations chairman.

Tani, Nakaba Wed In Billings Rites

Kimiko Tani, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tokiehiro Tani, 25-16-D, and Frank Nakaba, son of Manzo Nakaba of Chicago, were united in marriage last Thursday at Billings, Mont. Accompanying the couple were the bride's parents and Mrs. Hiroko Nakahara. Justice of the Peace Emil Borberg officiated.

The bride is a former resident of Hollywood, Calif. She is a graduate of Hollywood high school and the Marinello Beauty college. She is employed at the community enterprises beauty shops at 25-28.

Nakaba, also a former resident of Hollywood, was graduated from the Torrence high school in Los Angeles.

A reception for relatives and friends was held Tuesday at 25-26. Ryo Fukuda was toastmaster. The newlyweds will reside at 25-19-A.

'Priority Stomp' Set by Tri-Y Girls

With the theme "All Girls Priority Stomp", the senior Tri-Y will sponsor a social 7-11 p.m. next Friday at the high school gym. Michi Naito will be emcee.

Girls will wear men's attire to compete for the prizes to be presented to the best dressed couple or individual. The evening's program will consist of a singspration led by Marian Kuno and folk-dancing.

Edith Ritchie has been named chairman. Taya Fujimoto will be in charge of the program. The refreshment chairman will be Kaz Oda.

Local Girls' Club Sets Anniversary

In conjunction with the national Camp Fire Girls week, March 11-17, the local Camp Fire group will hold its third anniversary social tonight at the USO. Co-emcees will be Minako Ito and May Kakebe.

Included in the evening's program will be the installation of Horizon cabinet members. Officers to be installed are Lillian Nishi, pres.; Yoko Hoshizaki, vice-pres.; Helen Iwanaka, sec-treas. Kazuko Tanaka and Minako Ito, sgls.-at-arms, and Akemi Kawashima, historian.

The preparation committee consists of Frances Uchida, refreshments; Sumi Hamaguchi, invitation; Miss Nishi, bids, and Miss Kakebe, program.

Miss Kakiba will lead a group of 12 girls in a candlelight service at the YBA meeting 7 p.m. Sunday at 17-25. Amy Sakurai will take charge of the Sunday service at the Community Christian church.

Throughout the week, the local group will be working on a memory book covering the group's activities for the past three years. Two members of the group will take turns in raising the Camp Fire flag in the administration area during the Camp Fire Week.

Miyoko Miyauchi Weds B. Honkawa

Wedding vows were exchanged by Miyoko Miyauchi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Iwasaki Miyauchi, 24-8-C, and Bryan Honkawa, son of Mrs. T. Honkawa of Billings, Mont., last Saturday at Billings.

Mrs. Honkawa resided in Mountain View, Calif., prior to evacuation and was graduated from the local schools there.

The bridegroom attended the University of Washington.

A reception for the newlyweds was held after the ceremony in Worland.

Balshakunin were Mr. and Mrs. T. Ono of Worland.

The couple will make their home in Billings.

Nuptials Unite Two in Billings

Toshiko Honkawa, daughter of Mrs. T. Honkawa of Billings, Mont., and Kaz Uriu, son of Mr. and Mrs. Senji Uriu, 17-18-D, were united in marriage last Saturday at Billings. The Rev. A. Caton officiated.

Mrs. Uriu is a graduate of the Billings commercial school.

Prior to evacuation, Uriu resided in El Monte, Calif. He attended the local schools there. He is engaged in farming in Worland.

A reception for relatives and friends was held after the ceremony in Worland.

Balshakunin were Mr. and Mrs. Ono of Worland.

The couple will reside in Worland.

THE Social World

Sentinel Pin-Up Girl Contest in Full Swing

The GI pin-up girl contest sponsored by The Sentinel at the request of the famed 442nd nisei combat team will be in full swing next week as nominations will be accepted beginning Monday at the Sentinel office.

Nominations may be submitted by any recognized organization or group within the center, including administrative department's, girls' and boys' clubs and high school organizations.

The following rules and regulations will be adhered to: Each aspirant must be registered at the Sentinel office on or before 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 21.

Ballots will be printed in the March 24 issue of The Sentinel and ballot boxes will be placed in every messhall and canteen till 10 a.m. the following Monday, March 26.

The names of the first six candidates as a result of the center-wide poll will be announced in The Sentinel and will be presented at the annual Bussei ball March 31, at which time competent judges will select the girl the nisei GIs would most like to be isolated in a foxhole with.

Winners will be chosen on the basis of beauty alone. No other requirement will be necessary.

Queen of the pin-up "cuties" will be awarded a \$25 war bond, second place winner \$10 in war stamps and third place winner \$5 in war stamps. In addition, all six of the finalists will receive enlarged individual pictures of their photogenic features.

Photos of the prize winners will be sent overseas to be entered in an inter-center pin-up girl contest. Judges will be the members of the fighting 442nd. The winner of this contest will be awarded an appropriate gift by the nisei GIs.

Remember that the deadline for nominations is Wednesday, March 21.

USO Secretary Announces Troth

Sachiye Hosozawa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Akeji Hosozawa, 22-16-B, announced her engagement to Aki Shirashi, former head of boy's clubs, at an informal gathering of close friends at the USO Friday.

The bride-elect is a former resident of Los Angeles and was graduated from the local schools there. She is employed as USO secretary.

Shirashi is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kinjiro Shirashi of Akron, Ohio. He resided in Los Angeles prior to evacuation. At present he is employed in Chicago.

Recreation Plans St. Patrick Dance

A St. Patrick's day dance will be sponsored by the community activities department next Saturday at the high school auditorium, according to Tosh Kuboshima, social and entertainment director.

The gym will be decorated in green and white to carry out the St. Patrick's day motif.

The dance will be a couples-only affair. No admission will be charged.

Local Residents Reveal Betrothal

Mr. and Mrs. Manhachi Ichida, 21-24-C, announced the betrothal of their daughter, Tomiye, to Satoshi Nakashima, son of Tamakichi Nakashima, 2-13-C, at a family gathering last week.

Miss Ichida is a graduate of Toppenshi high school in Washington.

Nakashima is a former resident of San Jose, Calif., where he attended the local schools.

Weather Report

	High	Low	Pre.
Mar. 2	38	19	0
Mar. 3	40	21	0
Mar. 4	33	-3	.03
Mar. 5	11	-15	0
Mar. 6	30	-7	0
Mar. 7	36	0	0
Mar. 8	47	12	0

Parade

Hiking Slated Today

Twenty-five members of the Pack 44 Cub Scouts will hike to the Shoshone dam today. Kay Shibata and T. H. Abe, staff members, will accompany the group. This will conclude the series of cub hiking trips.

Zebras Slate Social

The Zebras will hold their third anniversary social tonight at 7-26. Kats Minato will be general chairman. Assisting him will be Masa Taketa and Shig Nabeta, refreshments, and Shig Ohtani, decorations. It will be a couples-only affair.

Bridge Fans Meet

The social and entertainment division of the community activities department sponsored a

bridge social last week at the Y lounge. Approximately 40 persons were present. Bob Yamamoto was in charge of refreshments.

Dinner-dance Held

A dinner-dance was held by the Block 20 Elites last Saturday at 20-30. Min Horino was emcee. Approximately 35 persons attended the affair. Tak Ikeda was in charge of general arrangements.

YBA Teachers Meet

A Buddhist Sunday School teachers get-together will be sponsored by the block 29 teachers at 7 p.m. tonight at 22-25. Kay Fujiwara is in charge of general arrangements. All teachers and assistants are invited.

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Editorial

Fantasy and Discrimination

The nisei took a backhand slap from the seven-center conference, recently held in Salt Lake City, in the 21 recommendations that were approved and transmitted to the director in Washington. The recommendations, one of which refers exclusively to nisei, are purported to be the expression of all delegates and consequently represent the feelings and beliefs of center residents.

This is far from true.

The recommendations are an outright bid for a government subsidy for the issei and range from sheer fantasy to wishful thinking.

One receives the impression from reading the recommendations that all relocation centers are composed of aged and ailing issei who have been mistreated and abused. Actually the figures at the time of evacuation show that there were only 7,035 persons over the age of 60 years while there were 46,545 young people up to the age of 19; 33,154 in their prime between the ages of 20 and 39 and those in the most stable and productive bracket from 40 to 59 number 26,251. Naturally, the figures are not correct at this time since more than 35,000 persons have already relocated.

As much as we have condemned those who have practiced discrimination against us, we would, in turn, practice it against others, according to the conference recommendations.

The delegates would set up old folks' homes "exclusively for persons of Japanese ancestry." This is absurd in itself. Almost every community in America has a home for aged. They are well cared for by state and local welfare agencies. Certainly we want our old folk taken care of, but we definitely feel that it is not necessary to practice that which we abhor.

The one recommendation made by the conference for the nisei was a weak attempt to draw support of the younger group. The recommendation suggests that students of Japanese ancestry be provided "adequate protection in case of need, and opportunities equal to those enjoyed by Caucasian students."

The recommendation does not intimate that there are more students of Japanese ancestry now attending college than ever before, despite the fact that thousands of young men of college age are now in the armed services. Nor, do they take into consideration that nisei students are accomplishing as much as other students, and in many cases more, than those of other racial background.

It seems to us that nisei students are not only taking care of themselves but are doing an outstanding job of public relations for all persons of Japanese ancestry.

The delegates to the conference apparently believe that WRA is a mighty agency that can direct the activities of other government agencies. Many of the recommendations proposed by the conference would bring the well-known "brush-off" from more important functions.

What with thousands of wounded soldiers, including many nisei, returning to the mainland to recuperate, one can be positive that hospital and housing facilities will not be set up independently for a minuscule segment of the population.

There is little doubt but what some of the recommendations have value on the basis of need but certainly not on the basis of demand, desire and discrimination.

It is time that our oldsters take a more realistic viewpoint and start thinking more about than 50,000 young people of school age who should now be in normal communities where they can prepare themselves as American citizens and forget their "Japanese psychology."

ON THE OUTSIDE

McGEEHEE, Ark.—They said it was unusual weather. There were occasional thunder showers, and between the showers it rained a steady downpour. The irrigation-ditch-side drains that run through the camp were almost bank-full with muddy water, and over the lower sections of the center the rainwater stood in broad pools.

Rohwer WRA center undoubtedly is the wettest of the lot, and the most heavily wooded. Some of Rohwer's unused blocks are still wooded over, with tall southern pines as common as sagebrush at Heart Mountain.

But in most other respects, Rohwer and its problems are little different from Heart Mountain. An inertia has settled over a large percentage of the residents, and outwardly even the threat of an early closing of the center has failed to start a stampede for the front gate.

We visited the center on the occasion of a youth conference. There was a relatively good turnout, but even then those who attended were only a fraction of the number that could have bothered to go to the sessions.

And those who did show up demonstrated a lively, intense, heartening interest in discussions of problems relative to relocation, vocational choice, their futures as Americans, their responsibility to returning nisei service men, the nisei's role in American political and social life.

It is likely that Heart Mountain's reaction toward a similar conference would be little different—the masses staying away and a few, the few that least need talking-to, showing great interest.

Many of the older folks, we were told, seem prepared to sit it out until the centers are closed. They don't know what is to happen when closing day does come around, and apparently don't care.

At the same time it is said there has been an unprecedented rise in the popularity of adult education English classes. An issei woman told us the elderly students are applying themselves with unusual enthusiasm, even dropping customary reticence and shyness which resulted from fear of ridicule if they made mistakes.

Some of this new enthusiasm for English could be laid to a desire to communicate more fluently with sons overseas and daughters who have relocated. But responsibility for much was the deep-down realization that some day before long they would have to leave the centers for outside life.

That problem, here as elsewhere, will be difficult. Japanese cultural programs still draw huge throngs. A member of the administrative personnel showed a deep understanding when he said most of those attending were farm folks who, until the evacuation, never had had time to enjoy themselves, never had time to acquire a taste for American forms of entertainment.

These are the people living from day to day, trying to postpone the time of reckoning. They will have to wake up, soon, and in some cases it will be their nisei children who will have to shake them into a realization of reality.

We did not meet a great many

Washington News-Letter

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The big news in Washington this week is the incorporation of the local nisei program for servicemen into the main body of the District of Columbia USO.

The nisei committee which has been sponsoring parties for GIs going overseas and GIs stationed in this area is now a part of the YWCA USO club, one of the 17 USO units in the District. The YWCA Club is the pioneer USO unit in the district; it has prestige, and capable, livewire leadership. This is truly a wonderful break for the nisei.

All nisei USO activities hereafter will be financed by the YWCA USO, and supervision will be forthcoming from trained professionals. A course will be started shortly to train nisei girls in the fine arts of being skilled hostesses.

The Parish hall of the St. John's Episcopal church has been set aside every Saturday night for the exclusive use of nisei USO parties. The hall is complete with a well-equipped kitchen, a piano, game room, record player, and a sizeable hall for dancing.

St. John's is historically famous as having been the place of worship for about a dozen U.S. presidents. It faces Lafayette Square, opposite the White House, and is just around the corner from Washington's famed Stagedoor Canteen.

Ever since the first nisei GI began rolling through Washington en route to Europe, local nisei have been up to their necks entertaining them. Since the

start of this year, about 800 boys, in two or three groups, pass through Washington each month. And every one of these groups has been entertained. It has not always been busy, and it has been expensive. But the local kids have shown a wonderful spirit throughout.

Just last week, an eleventh-hour party was given for 250 GIs who were scheduled to ship out any hour. Since no place in Washington could be secured, the social had to be held across the border in Maryland at the USO hall in Laurel, nine miles from Fort Meade.

It was a Friday night, with another full work day ahead of them, but 45 girls, with only a half-day's notice, took the one-hour bus ride up to Laurel to entertain the soldiers. All things considered, that's a marvelous show of spirit, the kind of spirit which has made local USO parties go over big.

We may be a bit prejudiced in our thought, but we think the local girls, being for the part employees in government war agencies, are closer to the whole war picture and are more aware than girls elsewhere of the responsibility of civilians to men in uniform.

Being taken under the wing of the District USO is especially significant in that it is the official recognition of the splendid work the local nisei are doing for the servicemen. It is also an indication, we believe, of the progress nisei are making toward integration into community life.

—John Kitasako

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

I have heard many rumors that all of the relocation camps will be closed by the end of the year and now after reading the Dec. 23 edition of the Heart Mountain Sentinel, it has become a reality. This is the first time that I have had definite news on the matter and I am writing this letter in hopes that some one in authority can and will help the aged parents of those of us who are over here doing our share. I know it is asking a lot but many of us here have parents who have little or nothing with which to start over again and it would be impossible for them to get along otherwise. All I ask is that they may be able to get jobs that would suit them until the last battle is won and we can once more take our place in civilian life.

To those parents whose sons have made the supreme sacrifice, let's not forget them as they will need a helping hand. It is they who gave that we of Japanese descent can say we're proud to be Americans!

Pvt. Akira Washio
Co. C—100th Bn.
Somewhere in France

(Miss Masaya Nagao, former Heart Mountaineer and niece of Noboru Nosay, 15-8-C, recently was named from Park college

nisei at Rohwer. But among those we did meet are many young men and women who will be able to meet their responsibilities. Their questions and their interest in the problems ahead showed that they are well aware of the world about them outside the center's confines.

—Bill Hosokawa

students for "Who's Who Among College and University students in America," an outstanding distinction. Candidates were named from 600 leading schools of higher education. The following letter was written to encourage more students to enter college.)

To the Editor:

I am a nisei student and have been at Park college since September, 1942. I will graduate in June and plan to attend graduate school for my master's degree. Park college, the students and faculty members have given me new hope, new courage and faith in the democratic way of life. I hope that I am worthy of this grand opportunity.

My sincere best wishes to all those high school seniors who are planning to attend college and higher institutions of learning. I cannot adequately stress how important I believe that education is in helping to integrate the nisei into the American stream of life. Eyes are opened to paths and goals otherwise unseen and disregarded—and it is this enlightenment which helps to make the nisei more conscious of his place in the life of this country.

Good luck to all.

Masaya Nagao
Park College,
Parkville, Mo.

To the Editor:

I would like to inform you about a Committee on American Principles and Fair Play which has been organized in Palo Alto. This committee has the same principles and aims as the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, namely, to uphold the integrity of the

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**One Year Ago
This Week**

In an appeal to the President, a petition sponsored by the community council asking for the restoration of inalienable rights as citizens of the United States, was signed by 922 Heart Mountain nisei.

With \$2,500 as its goal, the local Red Cross chapter launched a membership drive in conjunction with the national campaign.

Blocks 6, 14 and 27 announced the formation of volunteer fire fighting units.

A two-day Bussel conference was highlighted by a gala coronation ball.

Dr. Bernard Robbins, senior officer, and Mrs. Robbins, dietitian, left for New York City.

The community enterprises showed gross sales of \$214,286.90 with a net profit of \$28,116.37 for the quarter ending Jan. 31.

A minor blaze at 17-7-E was extinguished by the block volunteer fire fighters before the arrival of the local fire force.

Local girls observed national Camp Fire Girls week, celebrating the 32nd year of organization with a full week's program of activities.

A merit certificate issued by the National Fire Protection association for first place in Wyoming for educational activities promoted during Fire Prevention week was received by the local fire department.

Local Girl Scouts wore their uniforms and participated in church activities during Girl Scout week.

The Zebra Ayes annexed their second straight class A league casaba title.

Detroit Church Service Dedicated To Nisei Soldiers

DETROIT, Mich.—An unusual memorial and recognition service dedicated to Japanese Americans in the armed forces of the United States was held recently in the First Baptist church, here. The address of the evening was given by Dr. T. T. Brumbaugh, executive secretary of the Detroit Council of Churches, on the subject: "Loyalty to the Highest." A godly number of Japanese Americans and Caucasians attended the service.

One hundred and seven candles, arranged around the altar, were lighted by relatives or close friends in honor of the absent ones serving either in the Pacific or the European theatres of war. One part of the service was set aside for the 13 who had been killed in action. The audience rose and stood as candles were lighted for those who had lost their lives fighting for American democracy and ideals. The playing of "Taps" closed the service.

This was a feature of the program of the United Ministry to Resettlers, sponsored by the Detroit Council of Churches and of the Fellowship Hour, held each Sunday at First Baptist Church at Woodward and Pingree. These programs are arranged and supervised by Virginia Swanson of the Baptist Missionary Society, who for several months has been ministering to nisei needs under the sponsorship of the Detroit Council of Churches.

BUY WAR BONDS & STAMPS!

California Allen Land Law: Its Constitutionality Is Questioned

That the Supreme Court of the United States may be asked to pass upon the constitutionality of the California allen land law was indicated recently, when Attorneys A. L. Wirin and Hugh E. MacBeth of Los Angeles argued in the Supreme Court of San Diego county that the California law was unconstitutional, contending that the California law was invalid because it was based upon race prejudice and resulted in racial discrimination. The attorneys urged that escheat proceedings filed in behalf of the state of California against the Hirose and Oyama families should be dismissed.

In a law memorandum filed with the Supreme Court in both cases the attorneys declared that the California allen land law is unconstitutional in that, it deprives the defendants of liberty and property, and of the equal protection of the laws under the 14th amendment to the constitution of the United States; and abridges the rights of the defendants under the constitution of the state of California, to due process of law under article 1, section 13 of the constitution of the state of California, and of privileges guaranteed by articles 1, section 21, of said constitution.

Discrimination because of race is constitutionally justified only when required by pressing public necessity, under circumstances of direct emergency and peril. No such necessity warrants the enforcement of said statute against the defendants. The California allen land law was conceived in race prejudice and as enforced against the defendants has the effect of penalizing the defendants solely

because of race. Although the allen land law had been upheld as constitutional by the United States Supreme Court over 20 years ago, the attorneys urged that the earlier Supreme Court decisions were not binding. "Since the decision of the Supreme Court over 20 years ago, many living waters have run under the bridges of the constitution; and these 20-year-old cases are not controlling, so far as the application and enforcement of the statute, as against the particular defendants herein, and in 1945, are concerned.

"A statute constitutional at one time and under certain sets of circumstances may be invalid at a later time and under different circumstances," according to the attorneys for the Hirose and Oyama families.

Another point presented to the court was that recent amendments to the federal naturalization law, which permits all aliens, including those of Japanese descent to be naturalized upon honorable service in the army, no longer makes persons of Japanese ancestry ineligible for citizenship. Since the California allen land law applies only to aliens who are ineligible for naturalization it is claimed that the law no longer applies to aliens of Japanese ancestry. The effect of the 1942 amendment to the federal naturalization law, according to the attorneys, is to eliminate race as a basis for citizenship; and thus eliminate former discrimination because of race in the federal naturalization laws.

Another important legal point urged upon the court is that suits to escheat property under the California allen land law

must be filed by the state of California within one year after the taking of title; in other words, that such action is barred by what is known as the "statute of limitations" of one year. Under a provision of the California code of civil procedure, suits for penalties or forfeitures must be filed by the state within one year from the time the suit may be filed to recover such a penalty or forfeiture. Should the latter claim be upheld by the courts, it will have the effect of dismissing all escheat proceedings filed in California since all such suits have been filed long subsequent to a year after taking title to the property.

The defendants for whom the Attorneys Wirin and MacBeth appearing in the Hirose suit are: Mather Masako Hirose, Shigeru Hirose, Yoshitaro Yoshimura, Shiga Hoshimura; Clarence I. Nishizu, George Yasukochi, Torao Yoshimura and Sakae Yasukochi; in the Oyama case, Kohide Yonazo, Ririchi Kynshino and June Kynshino.

A. L. Wirin is attorney for the Southern California branch of the American Civil Liberties Union and special counsel for the Japanese American Citizens league; Hugh H. MacBeth is a well known Negro lawyer of Southern California.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Bill of Rights.

A meeting was held at my house, 2175 Cowper st., Palo Alto, on Feb. 26. Fred Ross, district officer of the WRA in San Francisco, spoke about relocation, and the moving picture "Challenge to Democracy" was shown, together with two other reels showing Japanese American soldiers in training, and the brave rescue of the lost battalion.

Forty people were present at this meeting. They by no means represent all the people in Palo Alto, Los Altos and Menlo Park who are willing to help in making the return of the evacuees to these communities possible.

The meeting decided to let the people at Heart Mountain know that they are welcoming their former neighbors and employees back. I personally have many requests for garden work and domestic work.

The returning evacuees will find in the Palo Alto Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, of which I am the chairman, a group of people who will assist them in any way possible, by finding acceptable positions and adequate housing. Evacuees who would like to return to this area may write to me, describing what sort of work they would like to do, and what kind of housing they need.

Evacuees should not be fearful of the treatment they will receive in this region. People who have already returned are very pleased that they had the courage to do so. They have met with no unpleasantness; rather they have been cordially welcomed.

Mrs. R. A. Isenberg
Palo Alto, Calif.

To the Editor:

So much I want to thank you for the copies of The Sentinel coming to our YWCA. The Heart Mountain Sentinel is a valuable source of information for us.

Dorothy M. Downey
YWCA
Kansas State College
Manhattan, Kan.



GRANADA, Colo.—Pvt. Shigehiko Ishigaki was reported wounded in action in France. . . James G. Lindley, project director, attended the two-day conference of the Denver area relocation officers. . . M/Sgt. Masaji Uratsu was awarded the Bronze Star for gallantry in action. . . Amache played host to some 50 Fort Snelling, Minn. servicemen. . . C. H. Powers, WRA engineering chief, arrived to discuss liquidation problems. . .

TOPAZ, Utah . . . Kaz Shikano reported favorable reception upon his return to Centerville, Calif. . . all but one of the 56 Topazians who have relocated on the West coast, have settled in California. . . 10 students were awarded certificates for completing the welding course offered here recently by the vocational training unit under the auspices of the war production training program. . .

ROHWER, Ark. . . . S/Sgt. James Kurata was recently commissioned second lieutenant on the battlefield somewhere in France. . . the fire department conducted an inspection of all units to eliminate fire hazards. . . the block sugar allotment was reduced to six and two-thirds ounces per person per week. . . a drive was conducted by the board of health to pick up all stray cats and dogs which have not been identified by their owners and vaccinated for rabies. . . the local library caters to 320 patrons daily. . . playing before an overflowing crowd the local all-stars trounced the Fort Snelling pick-up team, 68-30. . .

NEWELL, Calif. . . . the local Red Cross chapter has set a goal of \$2663 in the current drive. . . the colony jail west of the motor pool area has been completed after six months of work. . . Arnold Serwer of the WRA reports office in Washington, visited the center recently to observe center operations and to confer with local reports officials. . . the center funeral parlor was inaugurated recently. . . Dr. Royal Fisher, Baptist missionary born in Japan, was guest speaker at the Union church. . .

GILA, ARIZ. . . . approximately 40 servicemen from Fort Snelling, Minn., visited the center on their furloughs. . . a total of \$235.02 was collected in the recent march of dimes drive. . . Ruth and Jane Hayashi left for Berkeley, Calif., to enroll at the University of California. . .

WAC Pvt. Lillian Nozumi visited her parents recently. . . Pvt. Makoto Yoshihara was reported killed in action in Germany. . . Cpl. Bob Miyamoto and Pvt. Frank Ikehara, overseas veterans and holders of the Purple Heart, presidential unit citation and five battle stars, were recent visitors. . . Tak Abo is leading scorer of the Canal casaba A league with 84 points.

HUNT, Ida. . . . WRA Director Dillon Myer spoke before 1500 residents at the high school auditorium. . . \$33.20 was collected in the march of dimes drive. . . 21 council candidates were named by block representatives. . . Tatsuo Fujinaka and George Kodama, found guilty of draft evasion, were sentenced to two months in a federal prison and fined \$300 each. . . nine representatives were elected to the co-op board of directors at a recent election. . . Grace Kawata was crowned "sweetheart" of Minidoka. . .

Resettlement Discussed

NEW YORK CITY—Representatives of 20 national and local agencies and organizations cooperating in resettlement attended the first of a series of discussion meetings recently designed to acquaint them with community resources available to resettlers in the Middle Atlantic area, in the New York City WRA relocation office. The audience of some 50 persons included many nisei and nisei.

Four speakers discussed the various ways in which public and private agencies are assisting evacuees in meeting problems concerned with resettlement and family reunions. They also stressed the fact that these services would be continued after the liquidation of the War Relocation Authority.

Resettlers who need aid in planning for family reunions as well as financial assistance were urged to avail themselves of the services provided by these organizations which have been established to help people who need assistance. All the speakers asked evacuees particularly to seek help because resettlement undoubtedly raises many problems which cannot be solved by an individual alone.

The speakers were: Alice J. Webber, regional public assistance representative; Wistar Chubb, district office manager, Social Security board, New York City; Edith Harris, welfare center administrator, New York City department of welfare, and Alice Taggart, assistant director of family services, Community Service society of New York.

The meeting was organized as a result of inquiries from resettlers regarding the types of assistance available by E. Price Steidling, relocation officer in charge of the New York WRA district office, and Nathaniel A. Snyder, area community adjustment adviser.

According to Leo T. Simmons, acting relocation supervisor for the Middle Atlantic area, future meetings in New York City, Philadelphia, and possibly other cities will deal with housing, employment, education, recreation, and other matters of concern to evacuees who are establishing themselves in new communities.

Representatives were present from the following: New York State department of social welfare; Resettlement council of the Japanese American organizations in New York City; New York relocation hostel; Committee on resettlement of Japanese Americans, Federal council of Churches; American Baptist Home Mission society; American Friends Service committee; New York Buddhist church; Japanese Methodist church; Japanese Christian association; Japanese Christian institute; Japanese American Citizens league; Japanese American Committee for Democracy.

Also, New York Church committee for Japanese Americans; Madison Avenue Presbyterian church; Presbyterian Board of National Missions; National Council of the Episcopal church; Riverside church; Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York; Presbyterian church of Brooklyn; and the War Relocation Authority.

Nisei Musicians Provide Relief For 'Fighten'est' Group in Army

SIXTH ARMY GROUP. France—Proud of its reputation of being a top-flight army band, but prouder of the fact that it is part of the famous 42nd Japanese American combat team, one of the "fighten'est" outfits in the army, the 206th army ground forces band is making music for combat-weary doughboys in rest centers along the French Riviera.

Headed by M/Sgt. Jun Yamamoto, Boise, Idaho, the band's personnel was selected from the infantry, artillery and engineer units which comprise the combat team.

In Italy, when the combat

team was attached to the famed 34th "Red Bull" division north of Rome, the Japanese American band was given the assignment of entertaining war-weary soldiers in reserve rest areas and camps, and in hospitals. The band men worked out a complete one hour show which they called "Aloha Time," featuring the songs, dances and music of old and new Hawaii. Out of wild flowers plucked near the Italian battlefronts, they were "lois." Out of wheat straw taken from abandoned farms, they wove "grass" hula skirts.

While their comrades in the infantry, artillery and engineers pushed north to and across the River Arno, the band proved its value as morale lifters and entertainers. With the men of many divisions in Italy, the Japanese Americans' show became famous all along the front.

In the Vosges mountains of northeastern France with the 36th "Texas" division, it entertained troops while its combat team spearheaded the historic break-through of the German main lines of resistance in this sector. The men of the band stood ready to go into the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" of World War II by the combat team.

In Italy and France, the band has averaged almost two performances a day—usually a show in the afternoon and a dance at night—since coming overseas.

'Welcome Sign' At Long Beach

Although faced with a critical housing shortage, a group of prominent Long Beach, Calif., residents are anxious to "assist in any practical way" any former residents who plan to return to the West coast, according to a letter received by the relocation office.

"Realizing that the ban is lifted and that perhaps you may be considering returning to the Long Beach area, a friendly group of citizens extend greetings," the letter said.

Explaining the housing situation, the letter went on to say: "We would like to give you more tangible aid, but we want you to know that we are happy you are free to return to normal living whether in Long Beach or elsewhere.

The letter was signed by Clyde Rogharty, Mrs. Helen Guest Knox, Dr. Maud Wilson Dunn, Rene Sebring Smith, David Burdham, Elga Shearer, Grace Richardson, Mrs. Leslie A. Mayes, Mrs. O. T. Ellis, Mrs. R. Fred Roehm, Rev. Stuart LeRoy Anderson, Violet Sell and Mrs. Margaret Hathaway.

Veteran of French Campaign Visitor

Pfc. George Yoshioka, who wears the good conduct, pre-Pearl Harbor, European theater and Purple Heart ribbons, has been visiting his friends in the center for the past few days.

Yoshioka was wounded in action in the Bruyeres district of the Vosges mountains in France. During the relative quiet between artillery barrages, he happened upon an old crony whom he had not seen in years. As Yoshioka rushed over to greet him, the enemy opened up with terrific artillery fire. He was hit in the left shoulder by shell fragments.

Yoshioka left Wednesday for Fort Lewis, Wash., for further hospitalization and treatment.

Leaves

CALIFORNIA — Rev. Jutaro Yokoi, El Monte; Mitsuo K. Taniguchi, Rito Taniguchi, Hollywood; Kiyoshi Sakamoto, Mountain View; Evan Kay Oyakawa, Lily Oyakawa, Yokichi Oyakawa, Los Angeles; Futaye Ikegami, Lee Ikegami, Shigeko Ikegami, Ray Ikegami, Yaeko Ikegami, San Jose; Alice Chikuma Allen T. Chikuma, Frank M. Chikuma, Helen M. Chikuma, Karen S. Chikuma, Theodore Chikuma, Santa Clara.

COLORADO — Ryuji Tatsuno, Boulder; Mitsugi Nakano, Denver.

ILLINOIS—John Taneo Tamura, Miyoko Tamura, Masako Tamura, Betty Yuki Nogi, Masami Umemoto, Kimiko Nakagawa, Haruyo Horuchi, Kenya Tadaaki Horuchi, Kura Horuchi, Tadashi Horuchi, Lewis Atsushi Iwata, Bert Isami Murakami, Toyo Taniguchi, Takako Bessho, Chicago; Nobutaro Kikuchi, Tadashi Kikuchi, Elmhurst.

IDAHO—Ben M. Murata, Mo-hachi Murata, Yoshio Murata, New Plymouth; Kenichi Miyakawa, Pocatlote; Masao Morishige, Donald Osaki, Ronald Osaki, Mary M. Osaki, Payette.

MICHIGAN — Dick Fujioka, Ben Tanzawa, Detroit.

MINNESOTA — Hisato Otani, Nobuko Salto, Shizue Yanagioka, Kasumi Kawanami, Mutsuye Kawanami, Minneapolis.

MONTANA — Shukichi Inaba, Helena.

MISSOURI—Zennosuke Sawa, Kansas City.

NEW YORK—Kazuo Inamasu, Kiyomi Takata, James Santo, New York City.

OHIO — Masao Funo, Kiyoto Shimanura, Kayoshi Masuoka, Masashi Kakiba, Kay Sunahara, Ichita Tonokawa, Barbara Fujimoto, Brian Fujimoto, Eiji Fujimoto, Lilyan Yuri Fujimoto, Cleveland; Nanshiro Masuoka, Akron.

OREGON — Robert Masayul Yamamoto, Masami Nishida, Vale.

UTAH—Aiji Fukuda, Hatsufuro Masuda, Sankuro Takahama, Brigham; Kimiko Kimura, Ogden; Monkiichi Natsuma, Salt Lake City.

WASHINGTON — Sometaro Kubota, Spokane.

Debutantes Bow to CACs

The youthful Debutantes, playing an inspired game, almost came through with the biggest upset of the season when they bowed to the league-leading CACs, 29-22, Thursday after leading most of the way. Jumping into an early lead, the Debutantes led 9-6 at the end of the first period and 14-12 at the half.

In the third quarter, the two teams battled on even terms, but in the final stanza, the Debutantes were held scoreless, largely through the effective guarding by Helen Kow, Amy Akizaki and Yuri Kawakami.

Mary Shitamoto, who almost single-handedly kept the Debutantes in the running for three quarters, copped scoring honors with 14 points. Agnes Akizaki and Terry Tanaka sparked the title-contending CACs with 13 and 8 digits, respectively.

The CBTs came through in the final period to hand the Dots and Dashes their fourth consecutive setback 19-14. The Dots and Dashes held a 9-2 halftime lead and as the final period got underway, they led 11-7. Barbara Tachibana paced the fourth quarter attack for the CBT team.

Tachibana was high scorer, with 9 points. Kay Emi and Mary Hirata scored 6 and 7 points for the Dots and Dashes. CBT's Lucy Matsumaga turned in a stellar performance at the guard position.

In the third contest of the evening, the speedy Thunderbolts walked off with a 29-19 victory over the Block 15 outfit. The score was comparatively close until the final stanza, when the Thunderbolts piled up 19 points.

Sets Okada with her unstoppable two hand "overhead" shooting scored 16 of her team's 19 points. Bessie Uyeda with 11 and Nakamoto with 10 points led the victors.

The Block 2 sextette thumped the Luannas, 40-18 for their fourth straight victory.

At halftime, Block 2 held a comfortable 23-14 advantage.

Sandy Okura sparked the winners with 11 digits. Betsy Nishizaki made 6 for the Luannas.

Personnel Five Captures Tilt

Permeated with and somewhat groggy from the effects of liniment, the Industrialtes, after a week's recuperation, rambled into their second round of play Monday night.

The Personnel cagers, after dropping their season's opener to the CA five, grabbed their initial league win in taking the Block 14 quintet, 37-21. Big Ralph Forsythe with 9 and Walt Schlosser and Byron Ver Plog with 8 apiece led the Personnel scorers, while Kenji Ando tallied 11 points for the losers.

Forward George Komoto registered five times in the fourth period for 10 points as the Swampers came from behind to trip the Electricians, 31-24. The Electricians led 14-7 at the half and 22-18 at the end of the third, but bogged down in the fourth for their first setback of the season. Komoto took scoring laurels for the evening with 15 points. Sam Kaneko tanked 12 to pace the Electricians.

The CAS, tied with the Swampers for the number one spot, had little difficulty in dumping the Fire department, 37-22. Herman Santo and Sats Oshinomi with 11 and 9, respectively, led the winners. Bill Shundo tallied 14 markers for the Firemen. The CA squad was on the long end of a 23-14 halftime lead.

CHICAGO—The condition of Charles J. Oda, 30, remained serious this week after he cut his right wrist in protest to being considered a "spy." He had served two years in the U.S. army and received a medical discharge in November.

Penning a note saying, "I am a good loyal American . . . and no spy," the veteran slashed his wrist, losing considerable blood before being rushed to Illinois Masonic hospital where he was revived by plasma.

Friends of Oda said that he had been melancholy because he felt he was being persecuted.

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SPORTS Tidbits

By EDDIE YAMAOKA

The Industrial cage league, organized for the benefit of "old-time has-beens" and players who cannot make the class B teams, is, perhaps, the most interesting loop in the center. With every generation, of course, we might say you could find a good night of entertainment on Mondays when these teams spring into action. For here you find characters of every sort, men with paunches, shining heads, greying hair and aching muscles. Their games are all "terrific." It is a common sight to see a player romp around the court for three or four minutes and then come staggering out, huffing and puffing. Yet, the smiles on their faces emphasize that they like the game.

The personnel team is always a good card. Talbot Rudolph, Walt Schlosser, John Corbett and Mel Anderson seldom fail to entertain the crowd. When serious, though, they could buckle down to a good brand of casaba tossing, considering their age, of course. Their game against the Block 14 was a regular Mutt and Jeff or Abbot and Costello affair.

Man Behind the Scene

To Harry Nouchi goes the above title. Four nights a week, he treks to the gym and acts as official scorekeeper for some dozen games. That's a lot of games, even for a scorekeeper. On the fifth night, he indulges in a little playing himself as a member of the CA team. Since he is also required to put in time, during the day as a member of the athletic department, we wonder why he does all this for 16 bucks a month when he could relax at nights with his wife and children. Love is the only answer we could find. Yes, love for the dear old game of basketball.

Adios, Dick

Dick Miyakawa, all-center guard for two years, left for Chicago Tuesday. His loss is a great blow to the Zebra Ayes, for he was instrumental in making their fast break click. He was also a demon in controlling the backboard. Clark Taketa, coach of the Manchu Bears, once said, "Dick is the best guard in Heart Mountain. Man, what I would give to have him on my team!"

Sign of Spring

Baseball made its appearance Tuesday afternoon when a group of lads under the sponsorship of the Maryknoll church worked out briefly. Now that the ice is broken, other teams will undoubtedly follow suit. As we mentioned last week, baseball is going to make a grand entry as soon as the weatherman says okay.

Scout League

Saturday, Mar. 3

- Class A
 - Troop 313 def. Troop 323, 13-10
 - Troop 333 def. Troop 343, 32-16
 - Troop 379 def. Troop 345, 30-14
- Class B
 - Troop 313 def. Troop 333, 17-6
 - Troop 379 def. Troop 345, 15-7

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS
To the Kiyoshi Wakamotos, of 8-8-B, a girl, at 1:12 p.m., Friday, Mar. 2.

DEATHS
Mrs. Ito Morimoto, 62, of 2-5-B, at 4:20 p.m., Monday, Mar. 5.

Zebra Ayes, Minus Three First Stringers, Win 11th Straight

The crippled Zebra Ayes, minus the services of three first stringers, Chi Akizuki, Dick Miyakawa and Spike Minato, came within one game of ending the season with a clean slate by edging out the last place PFCs, 28-20, for their 11th straight victory Wednesday. In the final round Sunday, the Zebras will take on the rapidly-improving Quesuda Knights.

The Zebra junior varsity squad downed the Amateurs, 38-27, in the other contest of the evening. The game between the Elites and the JayBees was declared a forfeit when the Elites failed to floor a team in the re-

quired time. The inability of the PFCs to sink a single field goal in the entire first half proved their downfall as the Zebra Ayes piled up a 16-2 halftime lead. In the third quarter, the PFCs came back strong, scoring 12 points to Zebras' 5. The 7-point deficit was cut down to 5 in the final canto and for awhile the outcome was very much in doubt, but Mits Matsunaga's two baskets pulled his team out of the fire.

Kelchi Ikeda took high scoring honors by taking 11 points for the Zebras. Matsunaga was runnerup with 5. Shorty Nagaiishi was high for the PFCs with 5 points, followed by Toshi Ikegami and Mino Nishimura with 4 apiece.

The Zebra Jayvees, paced by Fred Morita and Toby Yamamoto, made it two in a row over the Amateurs, 38-27. The initial quarter ended in a 9-9 deadlock, but Morita of the Jayvees went on a scoring rampage in the second period, hitting the hoop for 10 points. The Amateurs were held to 4 markers in the same quarter.

In the second half, the Amateurs stopped Morita, but Yamamoto peppered the basket for 11 points. Santo contributed 8, while Wat Takahashi and George Hashimoto led the attack for the Amateurs.

Morita scored 14 points for the victors, followed close behind by Yamamoto with 13. To Sugita paced the Amateurs by sinking 8 points. Fuzzy Shimada, erstwhile scoring ace of the Amateurs, was effectively bottled up, garnering but 4 points.

Cage Schedule

- Boy Scouts (Class B)
 - Saturday, Mar. 10
 - 6:15 p.m.—Troop 325 vs. Troop 345
 - 7:15 p.m.—Troop 343 vs. Troop 333
 - 8:15 p.m.—Troop 313 vs. Troop 379
- Grade School
 - Sunday, Mar. 11
 - 1:30-5 p.m.—Grade school league
- Class A
 - Sunday, Mar. 11
 - 6:15 p.m.—Block 20 vs. Amateurs
 - 7:15 p.m.—Zebra Ayes vs. Quesuda Knights
 - 8:15 p.m.—JayBees vs. Zebra Jayvees
- Boy Scouts (Class A)
 - Monday, Mar. 12
 - 6:15 p.m.—Troop 313 vs. Troop 333
 - 7:15 p.m.—Troop 343 vs. Troop 379
 - 8:15 p.m.—Troop 323 vs. Troop 345
- Class B
 - Tuesday, Mar. 13
 - 6:15 p.m.—Elites vs. Globe Trotters
 - 7:15 p.m.—Ravens vs. Fade Outs
 - 8:15 p.m.—Blunderers vs. Rangers
- Industrial League
 - Wednesday, Mar. 14
 - 6:15 p.m.—Fire Dept. vs. Block 14
 - 7:15 p.m.—Swampers vs. Personnel
 - 8:15 p.m.—Electricians vs. CA
- Girl's League
 - Thursday, Mar. 15
 - 6:15 p.m.—Thun derbolts vs. CBT
 - 7:15 p.m.—Debutantes vs. Lunas
 - 8:15 p.m.—Block 2 vs. CAC
 - 9:15 p.m.—Dot and Dash vs. Block 15
- Class B
 - Friday, Mar. 16

Okabayashi, Yamakawa Cop Ping-pong Titles In Center-Wide Tourney

Tats Okabayashi emerged as men's singles ping-pong champion of the center by virtue of his triumph over Wataru Hasegawa, 21-17, 21-15, 17-21 and 21-19, in the finals last Saturday hall. Fifteen contestants either through forfeits or byes with the exception of Tony Yamane, who toppled Kei Oshiro, 21-9 and 21-18.

Okabayashi went through the second round by ousting T. Washizuka, 21-7 and 21-16, then took the measure of Chester Naramura, 20-22, 21-8 and 21-17, in the quarter-finals. In the semi-finals, Okabayashi emerged victorious over Sats Oshinomi, 21-17, 21-15, 17-21 and 21-19.

Mrs. David Yamakawa annexed the center-wide women's singles title by downing Relko Ohara, 21-11, 21-4 and 21-8, in the final round. In the first

Softball Contest Scheduled Today

Softball will make its 1945 debut at 1:30 p.m. today at 16-W when the strong Block 20 team cross bats with the Amateurs in an exhibition contest. Shig Funo will toe the mound for Block 20 with Textie Watanabe ready for relief work. Joe Watanabe will work behind the plate. The Amateurs will send either Tosh Umemoto or George Iseri for chucking chores. Fuzzy Shimada will call the slants.

The 20 lads are favored to take the contest. Heavy stickwork will be supplied by Funo, the Watanabe brothers and Tak Ikeda. For the Amateurs, Shimada, Umemoto and Minatani will pace the attack.

round of competition, Mrs. Yamakawa eliminated Mrs. Harry Uno, 21-12 and 21-17, and proceeded to the finals by defeating Lillian Hijikata, 21-12 and 21-17.

Results are as follows: Men's singles, second round, Oshinomi def. Yamane, 21-18 and 21-15; T. Ota def. Roy Takeshi, 21-11, 20-22 and 21-14; Naramura def. Tosh Umemoto, 21-18 and 21-14; Okabayashi def. Washizuka, 21-7 and 21-16; Henry Ushloka def. George Yahiro, 20-22, 21-12 and 21-15; Tetsu Bessho def. Bill Matsumura, 23-21, 19-21 and 21-16; Hasegawa def. Hide Oshiro, 21-14 and 21-15; Tatsuo Urushibata def. T. Kunlyuki, 21-9 and 21-11; quarter-finals, Oshiohmi def. Ota, 22-20, 20-22 and 21-23; Okabayashi def. Naramura, 20-22, 21-8 and 21-17; Ushloka def. Bessho, 21-11, 16-21 and 25-23; Hasegawa def. Urushibata, 21-15 and 21-16; semi-finals, Okabayashi def. Oshinomi, 21-12, 21-6 and 21-19; Hasegawa def. Ushloka, 21-14, 21-14, 11-21 and 21-10.

Women's singles, first round, Mrs. Yamakawa def. Mrs. Uno, 21-18 and 21-8, Lillian Hijikata def. Mrs. A. Yamamoto, 21-12, 21-12 and 21-17; Mitsy Shimizu won by forfeit; Relko Okabayashi won by forfeit; semi-finals, Mrs. Yamakawa def. Hijikata, 21-12 and 21-15; Ohara def. Shimizu, 21-18, 18-21 and 21-17.

JayBee Cagemen Given Scare, Eke Out Win Over PFC Five

The second-place JayBees, thanks to Yuk Kimura, staved off almost certain defeat as they came through in the last 15 seconds to nose out the PFCs, 39-38, last Sunday. The Quesuda Knights, displaying rare form, trounced the Amateurs, 58-32, in the other contest. The Zebra Jayvee-Block 20 tilt was postponed until a later date.

Although losing the contest, the PFCs turned in their best game of the season. Playing consistent ball, they battled their heavily-favored opponents on even terms throughout the initial period, and then led 20-17 at the half, largely through the efforts of Toshi Ikegami, substitute forward. Continuing their effective ball hawking, the PFCs maintained the lead in the third stanza.

Mino Nishimura opened the fourth quarter scoring by tanking a long two-hander, but Shuzo Sumii came right back for the JayBees. Then Kimura, "Name!" Matsunaga's understudy, sank two baskets to put the JayBees ahead, 35-34. With three minutes left in the game, substitute Ikegami came through for the PFCs and the lead changed hands again, but Sumii

on a lay-in sent the JayBees ahead.

With a scant 60 seconds remaining, Yoshi Shimizu dumped in a two-handed side shot for the PFCs. After "Shorty" Nagaiishi missed the charity toss, Kimura came through with a beautiful hook shot just before the whistle.

Sumii of the winners took high scoring honors with 13 points. Kimura, besides playing the hero's role, came through with 8 digits. For the PFCs, Tats Okabayashi and Yoshi Shimizu were high scorers with 9 apiece. Ikegami and Nishimura followed with 8 each.

In the other contest of the afternoon, the Quesuda Knights walked off with a 58-32 win over the Amateurs. Once the Knights started rolling, they couldn't be stopped. Although Hiro Sentachi, stellar forward of the Knights, tanked 10 points in the first period, Fuzzy Shimada and Watson Takahashi combined to give the Amateurs a 16-13 lead at the end of the quarter.

In the second period, the Knights forged ahead through the accurate shooting of Mas Hamamoto and Ham Miyamoto. Halftime score was 30-20 in favor of the Knights. The second half saw the Knights pile up a commanding lead.

Hamamoto, who sank 18 points, walked off with high scoring honors. Miyamoto was right behind him with 17. Shimada paced the losers with 12 points, while Takahashi, tallied 10.

- 6:15 p.m.—JayBees vs. Rangers
- 7:15 p.m.—Ravens vs. Blunderers
- 8:15 p.m.—Elites vs. Fade Outs

MANAGERS' MEETING

A managers' meeting of the Young Men's softball league will be held 1 p.m. Monday at the athletic department.

Army Calls More Men From Here

Seven Heart Mountain nisei will leave for induction into the army next Friday, boosting the number called from the center since the reinstatement of selective service for Japanese Americans to 279.

Prior to their departure for Fort Logan, Colo., the men will meet in the selective service office in the Sentinel building at 8:30 a.m.

Those leaving Friday include Gene Asai, 28-13-E; Paul Maekawa, 27-20-C; Ryohel Nomura, 25-2-F; Toshio Frank Okasaki, 7-12-G; Seichiro Sugiyama, 14-20-AB; Thomas Shoji Tokuhisa, 25-5-D; Haruo Yamaji, 28-23-F.

A contingent of seven local registrants will leave the Sentinel building at 7:45 a.m. next Wednesday for pre-induction physical examinations at Fort Logan, Colo.

Reporting for physical examinations will be the following: Yukio Fujiwara, 21-9-B; Albert Shoki Hioki, 14-18-CD; Katsumi Inouye, 14-9-F; Shigetoku Kawakami, 21-13-F; Saburo Frederic Morita, 7-11-E; Clarence Iwa Nishizu, 22-10-C; Manabu Shimoyama, 29-12-E.

Voters Elect 39 Trustees

In a center-wide election last week, 39 members of the community enterprises trust committee were elected to a six-month term. Each block is represented by two committee members with the exception of block 7, which has one member.

The successful candidates and the number of votes each received follow:
Block 1—Ralph T. Kawabe 131, and George S. Hamamura 131; block 2—Sogoro Nishida, 75, and Rokusuke Otomo, 92; block 3—Tsuruji Sakamoto, 76, and Shinji Sasaki, 76; block 4—Matsutaro Hirano, 25; block 5—Shoichi Fukuda, 89, and Tomochi Hirazawa, 87; block 6—Tameichi Asano, 85, and Kazuo Iseri, 85; block 12—Kazuo Okabayashi, 132, and Sukeji Handa, 132.

Block 14—Isosaburo Yamasaki, 190, and Suetaro Murakami, 190; block 15—Terakichi Migita, 118, Yoshio Imokawa, 118; block 17—Yoshiichi Hirooka, 56, and Toyoharu Miwa, 56; block 20—Kinosuke Omoto, 103, and Sosaku Suzuki, 74; block 21—Jinnatsu Nishida, 98, and Yukichi Nishiyori, 98; block 22—Hochiro Taniguchi, 127, and Shigetaka Kurokawa, 127. Block 23—Sadachi Ota, 46, and Kakujiro Wada, 46; block 24—Sukenari Yamada, 99, and Kunizo Inouye, 99; block 25—Iwajiro Taniguchi, 84, and Sekuro Kurihara, 84; block 27—Koijiro Urushibata, 142, and Kenichi Yamada, 142; block 28—Arata Shibayama, 128, and Kuei Tsukahara, 128; block 29—Enjiro Watanabe, 98, and Yoshinori Ideishi, 98; block 30—Kanzo Nishida, 110, and Yoshio Hayashi, 110.

Postal Inspectors Visit Center

C. H. Pollock and J. B. Moseley, postal inspectors from Casper and Cheyenne, respectively, visited the local post office Wednesday, Ernest T. Ebert, superintendent of mail, announced.

Nisei Soldiers in Pacific Are Also Contributing to Goodwill

The little publicized nisei GI's fighting in the Pacific are also contributing their share in furthering goodwill at home for the loyal evacuees.

Not so many days ago a certain produce commission house in San Francisco was extremely averse to accepting produce from returning evacuee farmers. Evidently "a Jap is still a Jap" as far as the policy of the firm was concerned.

However, much to the surprise of one of the enterprising nisei farmers in the area, the owner of the wholesale house came personally one day to encourage him to send his produce to his firm. Puzzled as to what brought on this abrupt change, the nisei, a former Heart Mountain resident, asked the man about the reason for his friendliness.

A few days before, according to the wholesaler, a Japanese American soldier, on furlough after spending some months

overseas in the Pacific area, dropped in to bring news of his son. His boy and the nisei GI were buddies while stationed somewhere in the south Pacific. When the nisei received a furlough his boy asked him to visit his father if he had the opportunity.

It was then, went on the produce merchant, that he realized that Japanese Americans are fighting and dying for their country in all parts of the globe. He invited the soldier to dinner before his furlough was up, and the nisei volunteered to take back some things which the San Francisco businessman had packed for his son. However, the soldier was reassigned to another destination so he returned to inform the merchant regretfully that he would be unable to give the gifts to his son. Whereupon the merchant insisted that the nisei GI keep the presents and wished him godspeed.

CIO Executive Council Backs Returns of Evacuees to Coast

OAKLAND, Calif.—The California CIO council in executive session here recently recognized the order of the War Department and the War Relocation Authority permitting the return of loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry to the Pacific coast a

commendable and correct step, in line with the principles for which this war is being fought.

In view of the established fact that thousands of our Japanese Americans are now serving their country with honor and distinction on the battlefield, we believe, the council stated, that such action as taken by the American Legion, Hood River, Ore., in erasing the names of Japanese from the honor roll of World War II veterans, should be condemned as regrettable and unjustifiable.

The council's statement continues: "This attempt to foster race hysteria must be recognized by all Americans as a threat to the unity of our people and further indicates a lack of confidence in the judgment of our War Department.

"The experience of our country since Pearl Harbor has been that these Americans of Japanese ancestry have proven themselves responsible and loyal Americans, participating in all phases of the war. As such they are entitled to as much protection under our constitution as any Americans regardless of race, creed or color.

"The California CIO council wholeheartedly supports the action of the War Department and condemns those who are attempting to split the American people by arousing racial prejudices for their own partisan ends.

"The California CIO council further calls upon all public officials of state, county and municipal governments and all people of this state to do everything within their power to cooperate with the War Department in order to assist in the readjustment of these loyal Japanese Americans to our community life," the statement concluded.

Relocation Officer To Arrive Monday

Charles Moon, relocation officer from the Baltimore WRA office, will arrive here Monday to interview evacuees interested in resettling in the Eastern areas. Although possessed with attractive offers of many kinds, he is primarily emphasizing agricultural opportunities in these areas.

Property Regulation Announced

Due to some misconceptions regarding regulations effecting shipment of property by express, the following statement has been released by Harvey Burnett, evacuee property officer.

Regulations state that only those items which are needed immediately after reaching the destination and articles which are too difficult to send by freight because of their high value or size, where the project director or one duly authorized by him approves, may be shipped by express. Those articles which are definitely needed to establish the relocatee in his new home are items such as: pots, pans, dishes, bedding and baby necessities.

This regulation, however, does not mean that every family is eligible for an express shipment for the amount of 500 pounds. The relocatee is first required to check as baggage 150 pounds per full fare ticket, and 75 pounds for a half fare ticket on age 5-12 years. This baggage privilege must be taken advantage of, before one is eligible to have approved, a shipment of personal effects.

Transportation of household goods and personal effects being shipped from the center, government warehouse, or private storage in the evacuated area includes packing and crating but does not include packing or crating for shipment to the evacuated area from a point of relocation, or door delivery at the destination. Transportation from the depot of destination to the place of abode will be at the evacuee's expense.

When property is shipped at WRA expense, a government bill of lading is issued covering shipment of the property which is being forwarded to the point of relocation. Upon its receipt and when advised that the shipment has arrived, it is necessary that this bill of lading be presented to the carrier, in order that the shipment be released, otherwise payment of the shipment in cash will be expected by the receiver of the shipment. It is therefore important that not only the correct address be given in order that this bill of lading may reach the relocatee, but that it be retained until such time as he is required to release it to the carrier in exchange for the shipment.

Assistance will be provided to those desiring to relocate by furnishing the crates and boxes in which to pack property. Articles which require special crating are: sewing machines, dressers, davenport, refrigerators, baby beds and mattresses. These articles upon their release will be taken to the project crating shed, where they will be securely crated and identified for shipment. Material will not be issued to the relocatee to crate this property as there are facilities on the project for such purpose.

Sufficient advance notice should be given for the crating and pickup of property desired from the center.

The evacuee property office is now situated across the hall from the relocation office in the west end of the administration building.

From The Nation's Press

St. Paul, Minn.

Noting Carey McWilliams' statement at Macalester college that the improvement in attitude of Californians toward returning Japanese Americans "is due to the 'tactful, intelligent conduct'" of the nisei, the St. Paul Dispatch in a recent editorial said, "Nisei tact is an extremely simple affair. It consists merely in keeping quiet and letting deeds speak for themselves."

To anti-nisei propaganda being spread by "well-heeled" organizations, nisei groups "are saying not a word. Such counterarguments as exist are found only in news stories," like the one revealing the number of Purple Hearts awarded to nisei battalion in Italy.

"This pro-nisei propaganda must be somewhat harder to create than the kind the opposition is tapping out . . . Perhaps that is one reason it carries a good deal more weight."

New York, N.Y.

Commenting on the death of Pvt. Frank T. Hachiya, the New York Times in its Feb. 17 editorial declared:

"Japanese treachery at Pearl Harbor reacted upon Hachiya as upon other patriotic Americans. To be sure, his eyes slanted, his skin was yellow, his name different. But Hachiya was an American. He enlisted at once, and it must have been a dramatic moment when he told his Japanese father of his plan."

The Times made a dramatic story out of Pvt. Hachiya's brave scouting mission and subsequent death under fire. "The members of the Hood River . . . post . . . would do well to heed the case of Frank T. Hachiya . . . Perhaps Pvt. Hachiya never knew that the Legion post had dishonored him back home. Perhaps some day what is left of him may be brought back to this country for reburial among the honored dead."

Portland, Ore.

In a recent editorial, the Portland Journal declared the Oregon anti-Japanese organization's filing under the name of Oregon Property Owners Protective League is "a device that altered no original prejudice." The editorial stated that the Nazis attempted to spread propaganda in the U. S. by making the names of their organizations "sound good to American ears," such as "League of Human Liberty" and "Defenders of Democracy."

"Tolerance and obedience to the spirit as well as to the letter of the law's requirement will not be found in a name, but in the motive," the Journal added.

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