

Registration Will Affect Future--Robertson

Guy Robertson, project director, issued the following statement today regarding registration:

"Let me again bring to the attention of the people of Heart Mountain that your response to the present registration will have an important bearing on your future. The eyes of the nation are upon you. Your loyalty to this country will be judged by your answers to questions 27 and 28 on forms 304A and 125 revised.

"All men 17 years and older will be given the opportunity to complete their registration this week. Please do not fail to go to the designated registration place and fill out the registration forms."

Dillon S. Myer, WRA director in a telegram today to Guy Robertson gave assurance that the WRA will defend citizenship rights of evacuees. The text follows:

"I have been informed that evacuees at several centers have asked for reassurance that citizenship rights of those evacuees born in the United States will be recognized. You are authorized to inform the evacuees at your center that the War Relocation Authority recognizes and will continue to defend those citizenship rights."

Saturday Deadline for Registration

Every effort will be made to complete registration of all Heart Mountain men 17 years of age and older by Saturday. Registration blanks have been distributed to block managers in all blocks.

Teachers with the aid of residents will conduct registration tomorrow (Friday) in mess hall 27 of blocks 12, 17, 20, 21, 27 and 28. Registration will be held 8:30-11 a.m. and 1:30-4:30 p.m.

The War Department representatives will be in the administration recreation hall starting Friday to accept voluntary enlistments for the special nisei combat unit.

Block Elections to Be Held Monday

Present block chairmen will leave office and a general election for their successors will be held Monday, March 1, it was announced today.

This step is in accordance with a proposal made Feb. 15 by the block chairman's council. In a memorandum to the project director, Minejiro Hayashida, chairman of the council, pointed out the difficulties under which his group worked because of its temporary nature.

"It is to the best interests of the project as well as to that of the residents if a firm foundation for the evacuee government is laid at the earliest possible moment," he wrote. "The best way, of course, is the election of a permanent council under the provisions of a Heart Mountain charter, whose drafting have already been completed. If, however, prospect of adoption of the Charter is not particularly imminent, some emergency measure, such as adopted in the case of Community Enterprises should be taken."

The following rules for the election were announced:

1. Candidates to be selected by a selection committee of at least five appointed at the block meeting. Blocks not having done this at their last meeting are to call a special session before the end of the week.
2. Candidacy to be open to both nisei and issei. Incumbents to be eligible for re-election.
3. Names of candidates to be posted on mess hall bulletin boards at least one day before election.
4. Voting by secret ballot; ballots to be cast at the regular Monday evening block meetings Mar. 1, 1943.
5. Chairmanship of this particular meeting to be entrusted to block managers.

Hayashida's memorandum pointed out that since the inception of the Council, "residents have not been given any opportunity to express their confidence or non-confidence to the council members."

登録の勵行に就いて

ロバートソン所長再び聲明

ロバートソン所長は登録について本日左の聲明書を發表した。

「余は現行中の登録に對する諸君の協調が諸君の將來に大なる利益あることを自覚するを再び促したい。諸君は目下國民注視の的である。此の國に對する諸君の忠誠は第三〇四A號又は第一二六R號誓式の第廿七及び廿八號問事項に對する回答如何に依つて判定せられるのである。十七才以上の男子は今週中に登録を完了する機会を與へられることになつてゐる故指定された登録所に出頭して登録誓式を作成するを怠らぬ様切望するものである。」

マイヤト局長の指令

轉任局長テイロン・マイヤト氏は本日ロバートソン所長に宛て、左の如く打電し來つた。

「余のきくところによると一部の轉住所内の居住者は米國で出

生した者の市民権の承認の保證を要求してゐるとのことであるが貴官は余の指令に依つて所内の居住者に轉住局は彼等の市民権を認めのみならず今後これが擁護に努めるであらうと通告され度い。」

田子登録は正確までに

十七才以上の男子の登録を今週中に完了すべく、萬策が講ぜられてゐるが明廿六日(金)は十二、十七、廿、廿一、廿七及び廿八の各區の廿七番食堂にてその區の登録が學校教員及び一部居住者の手に依つて扱はれることになつてゐる。登録用紙は各區マネヂャーに既に配布されたが登録時間は午前八時半より十一時と午後一時半より四時半までである。尙陸軍省の代表者は明日より管理役人娛樂館にて二世戰鬪特別部隊への加入志願を交付けると。

區長の選擧手に就いて

去る十五日の區長會議の決議にて現在の各臨時區長は辭意を表明し區長の改選に依つて正式又は半永久的居住者自治機關組織促進に備

へることを所長に提言した結果後任區長の選擧は來る三月一日(月)執行されることになつたが選擧規則は左の如く發表された。

- 一、候補者は區會にて任定された少なくとも五名の證衛委員選定すること。委員未決定の區は今週未だに臨時區會を催して委員を任定すること。
- 二、一世も二世も候補資格を有する。現任區長は再選され得る。候補者の氏名は速くても選擧の前日に各食堂の揭示板に張出すこと。
- 四、選擧は三月一日夜の各區例會の席に於て無記名投票に依つて行はれること。
- 五、選挙當夜の議長には各區マネヂャーが當ること。