

Special Train No. 16 Delayed Until Next Week

Special train No. 16 which was to have left Heart Mountain tonight at 7:30 p.m. has been delayed until the first part of the coming week, according to Claud C. Gilmore, assistant relocation program officer. The delay was occasioned by the landing of the Third Fleet on the west coast and the landing of a large number of soldiers from the European theatre on the east coast, resulting in a demand by the military for all available rail equipment. WRA has priority for rail equipment second only to the military.

While Train No. 16 carries coaches and pullmans to California and coaches to the Pacific Northwest and East, Train No. 17 scheduled for October 26 is exclusively for Southern California. It will carry four pullman and seven coaches and already has a passenger list of over 500 people.

Future planning should be for the October 30th or November 2nd trains. Train No. 18, October 30th, will carry coaches to all points except Southern California and pullman cars to Northern California.

Train No. 19 set for November 2 will again be exclusively for Southern California.

Many Restrictions Lifted

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- With the end of the war, several federal agencies and departments have either modified or removed special restrictions and procedures applying to the employment or other rights of persons of Japanese ancestry.

Effective September 2, 1945, nisei became eligible for employment on vessels and waterfront facilities, subject to the same eligibility requirements as other U. S. citizens. The commandant, U. S. Coast Guard, also lifted orders excluding nisei from access to vessels and waterfront facilities.

Effective September 14, 1945, The Civil Service Commission abolished all special procedures governing the federal employment of nisei. Appointments are now made under the usual procedures applicable to citizens. However, there is no change in Civil Service regulations requiring the clearance of Japanese and other enemy aliens.

Effective September 13, 1945, the War Department removed all FMGO clearance requirements for employment of nisei in army posts and establishments, unless it should be required of all citizens and aliens. This rescission includes posts and establishments in military areas of the Western Defense Command.

The War Department has also rescinded its blanket order prohibiting persons of Japanese ancestry from being employed in any manner at an airport or on an air field. Such persons may now secure airmen identification cards in the same manner as other persons.

Effective September 25, 1945, the War Department rescinded its orders requiring clearance of persons of Japanese ancestry for employment in plants working on army contracts. However, plants classified as "secret" or similarly restricted still require clearance of all prospective employees of any national or racial origin.

Tule Lake to Close February 1

The War Relocation Authority program for people of Japanese descent at the Tule Lake Center in Northern California will be terminated by February 1, 1946, Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes announced today.

With this step, the WRA will complete its schedule for liquidating its operations at the last of the ten centers which were established in 1942 to accommodate the people of Japanese ancestry evacuated by military order from the Pacific Coast. Two of the centers - Jerome in Arkansas and Granada in Colorado - have already been closed. All the others except Tule Lake will be closed by December 15 in accordance with plans previously announced.

During the few months of operations still ahead at the Tule Lake center, the WRA will continue to assist in the relocation of those residents who are eligible to leave. Those who are not eligible to leave because they are under detention orders issued by the Department of Justice will remain in the custody of that department pending final disposition of their cases.

In line with the liquidation scheduled of the War Relocation Authority, plans have now been completed for an intensive relocation program at the Tule Lake center. This program and all other WRA services to evacuees at the center will be terminated on or before February 1, 1946, according to D. S. Myer, national WRA Director.

All residents of the center who are not on the Department of Justice detention lists are eligible for the same types of relocation assistance as the residents of other WRA centers. Those who wish to relocate with WRA assistance have been asked to formulate their plans by December 15 at the latest in order to allow adequate time for the final scheduling of transportation facilities and the orderly movement of personal property, Myer said.

Persons on the detention lists will remain in the custody of the Department of Justice pending final decision regarding the future status of the detainee or of family members who may wish to remain with them.

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The War Relocation Authority will begin at once to prepare for the final liquidation of its activities at the Tule Lake Center. All farm operations will be discontinued immediately and all livestock on hand will be disposed of at the earliest practicable date. Center schools will be closed by December 21. The Business Enterprises Association will begin immediately to liquidate its operations and should plan to be out of business entirely before February 1, Myer declared.

General Information

Any evacuee owning a piano that he would rather sell than ship when he leaves the center can contact William B. Milhollin, fiscal accountant of the Finance Section.

Residents who have handicraft objects - carvings, shell work, stone ornamentation, paintings and drawings which they do not want, are asked to contribute them to Allen Eaton of the Russell Sage Foundation. Eaton, who visited the center recently, plans an elaborate exhibit illustrating the ingenuity and originality of center residents. Contributions may be given to Mrs. Estelle Ishigo or brought to the Reports Office, in the Sentinel Building.

A "Shure" Microphone, model #708-A, Serial Number A-7046, grey oblong shape with chrome trimmings, the only one of its kind in the center, was taken away from the C. A. technical department recently.

This microphone, together with amplifier and speaker, was a loan to the Heart Mountain Japanese community by a Christian Minister who was good enough to loan to C. A. for the duration without charge. Since we are now disbanding, it is our duty to return the equipment in good order. Anyone who knows of its whereabouts should notify the technical department immediately.

In inspecting the empty barracks within the area, it has been observed that a large percent of the vacant quarters have been left in a clean and neat condition.

However, most of the stoves have contained ashes and other debris. This no doubt has been necessary because of the last-minute rush in departing. It is hoped that the same satisfactory arrangement can be made on a more or less cooperative basis whereby the stoves may be cleaned either by the occupants before leaving or by friends after their departure.

The Block Managers and Mr. Main have had the problem under discussion for some time and the remaining evacuees will be asked to assist.

Dirty stoves not only represent certain hazards and are difficult to disassemble but certainly mar the appearance of an otherwise clean apartment.

Nine carloads of coal arrived here on Wednesday evening and it is believed that an almost acute supply problem during the last month at Heart Mountain has been whipped.

The concerted action of the Council and the Block Managers plus the generous volunteer help of many made possible the development of a reserve stock that should supply the camp until closure date.

Some coal will remain to be unloaded on Monday and the volunteer assistance must continue throughout that day.

The following persons are asked to call at the main postoffice for unclaimed mail: Mrs. Imai from Cpl. Y. Nomura, Sadayoshi Tachi, Goro Hozawa, Okuni Tad Yamashita, Yukio Ikeda, Miss Tsuru Kimura, K. Katayama, formerly of 1-3-D, Tommie M. Uchida, Harris H. Sakaguchi and Mr. Nozaki from S. Honda, Los Angeles, Calif.

Vital Statistics

Births:

- To the Toragusu Kobatas, of 17-10-B, a boy, 2:08 a.m. Monday, October 15.
- To the Frank Miyabos, of 24-1-E, a boy, 12:17 a.m. Tuesday, October 2.
- To the Kuraichi Furusawas, of 1-9-D, a boy, 2:45 p.m. Monday, October 8.
- To the Roy Uycharas, of 15-10-AB, a boy, 5:55 a.m. Tuesday, October 2.

Deaths:

- Shohahi Sato, 72, of 12-22-E, at 3:40 a.m., Thursday, October 18, 1945.
- Hagiyo Sato, 59, of 28-1-C, at 4:20 p.m., Saturday, October 6.

DEPARTURES

LEAVES THIS WEEK

Temporary-----6
Permanent-----341

LEAVES TO DATE

Temporary-----82
Permanent-----9883

RESIDUE-----2664

