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## GIRLS LEAGUE

### OFFICERS CHOSEN

A Girl's League is being formed under the direction of Miss Goldberg, for all the girls' in the Senior High School. Last Tuesday, a meeting of six members represented by each class was held for election of officers. With that ever active Student Body Girls' Vice President, Poe Wee K. Onoki, Serving as president, the other officers resulted as follows:

Vice President, Lillian Teasaki. Secretary, Kiyo Yoshida. Treasurer, Teddy Hayashi. Publicity Yuki Saito. Historian, Yuri Yamada.

Plans were made for Mothers Tea, Girls League Assembly and a boogie Club.

## DR. JONES SPEAKS

During third period last Friday, Dr. Stanley E. Jones, a noted author and evangelist hailing from India and having great influence there, spoke to the Senior High School students on "What Can The Modern People Believe in?" He stated that he would rather speak to High School students than to any other group since they are the ones that are going to form the future government. Many students in High School are not thinking of the future but just rambling along to let things take care of themselves, he stated. He will try to give those without ideas for the future something to start on.

The sight of the homing pigeons circling around and round on its release was defined by Dr. Jones as the High School period before a person finds his fitting ambition.

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## SOPHMORE ELECTION

On October 20, 1943 the Sophomores held a re-election of class officers.

The new officers are: President, Bom Hori; Boy's Vice Pres. Miyoshi Sakamoto; Girl's Vice Pres. Helen Uyeno; Secretary Mieke Kami; Treasurer, Masaji Hatao; Historian, Kyoko Kano; Yell Leaders Elizabeth Kitagawa, Masako Koni, Bryce Nishimura, and Akira Isozaki.

The advisers chosen were Miss Umhoej and Miss Smith.

Slowly but surely the Sophomores will appear in the activities of the campus.

**! Attention!**

That's right, it's the main event of the month. Don't miss it, the PHOTO FINISH DANCE tomorrow night at Ambassador 7. The time, 8:30. Come one, come all. Bids may be obtained at the door.

## CO-OP PLANNED BY COUNCIL

With the passing of the Boy's and Girl's Leagues at the previous Student Council meeting plans were made for their immediate function. Already the G.A.A. under the Girl's League has begun with a very impressive start.

A possibility of a Student Co-op was also discussed, with George Nishimura giving the principals behind the making of such a venture. Mr. Fox stated that if a Student Co-op was to open "It would not be for profit, but for the convenience of the pupils and experience of the students interested in this line." The matter is still undecided but with student influence to support it, it may become a reality sooner than expected.

School improvements were also discussed by Mr. Fox. It is his wish that any suggestions be turned over to your respective Council representative who in turn will present it to the Council.

## FILMS NEEDED BY JOURNALISM CLASS NOW

The journalism class is interested in buying all of the 1-20 and 1-16 films from anyone who can obtain them from relocatees in the East. We may have to call the annual quits if these films cannot be obtained.

# EXCHANGE

## HOMER HI-LITES

A half-day holiday will be given to the students on October 7, to allow them to see their friends off to Tulalake.

Four new teachers have been added to the Faculty.

Girls' workshop is rapidly progressing. The girls are making book racks and other many things.

## DEERT HOTEL

The high school buildings will be completed by the middle of November, stated Mr. B. Taylor of the Construction Department.

A proximately 150 pound of cotton was harvested by the boys of the agricultural class.

Work on the annual, "Year's Flight" is under way. a contest for a theme for the annual is being held and the winner will receive a free annual.

# Skippz HOLD DANCE

As one of the highlights of the week-end, the San Pedro Skippers held a successful dance in Ballroom 9. The purpose of this dance was to raise funds for the team's equipment.

Some of the couples seen were: Susumu Iwasaki and Yoshiko Yada, Fred Yamada and Betty Nojiri, Shirley Tani and Custer Kimura.

Refreshments were served and dancing followed.

# Patience! SRS.

Yep! They're on the way but give them a little bit more time. The Knitting Company has had many complications in securing the wool for our "Kool" Senior sweaters. All of those who have ordered one of the sweaters should start saving now if they haven't already.

Ralph Lazo, head of the Senior Sweater Committee, says "There is going to be a big celebration after the sweaters come," and no doubt there will, for there is to be a Senior Sweater Day and a Senior Dance.



## DEBATE CLUB

The Debate Club of Manzanar under the sponsorship of Miss J. Goldberg got under way on October 15, 1943. The first topic of debate chosen was "Should we have a League of Nations or not."

More students who are interested in debate are urged to come to the meeting planned for next Wednesday at 7-11-1.

## TWIXTEENERS

The Twixteeners recently held a successful "Thank you and Good-bye" combination social. The thank you was given to the coaches, and all those who kindly helped the club at various times. The farwell.. honored the members leaving for Tule Lake.

## 7TH GRADERS

Tonight at 7-15 the seventh graders are having their first of the many get-togethers for the semester. It is slated to be a rumping Halloween party.

## SODALITAS LATINA

October 14, 1943

Meeting today, the new Latin organization officially adopted "Sodalitas Latina" meaning "Latin Society" for its name.

October 21, 1943

The "Installation Party" was held today with an evening of unique entertainment, fun, and games for all attending members.

ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN

## Missing Head

LOST—the green head of a Sheaffer fountain pen. If uncovered please notify Chiyoko Mano, or bring the decapitated cover to the Journalism office. The body is waiting for its return.

# NAME, Please!

"Name please,"—on the first day of school, Ryo Sasaki went from table to table asking the name of each student.

Mr. sasaki has been working the study hall since last February when Dr. Carter thought it would be better to have a Japanese in there as the Caucasian teachers had much difficulty in pronouncing the Japanese names.

Students are seated in alphabetical order this semester because too many of them got together and talk. By seating them alphabetically, it is much easier to find students who are summoned to the office.

Mr. Sasaki stated that there are some 1200 students going in and out of the study hall during the day.

All the teachers agree that it would be easier to take a two period class rather than take charge of the study hall.

## 8th Graders Plan Social

It's going to take the mighty Eighth graders to outsmart the cats and witches and ghost that come out on one special night. Yes, on that specky, scary night those small, but brave Eighth Graders are going to have a party, to celebrate Old Mother Witch. A committee of 16, four from each homeroom, were chosen to plan for this special Halloween Party.

The success of this party will decide whether there will be more.

## BIKE RACE PLANNED

The Community Activities is making plans for a Bike Race on Halloween Day. This is open to anyone who has or can borrow a bike. Registration is being held at the Community Activities Office and a small fee of ten cents will be asked for from each entry. Prizes will be awarded.

# HIDE NUTTIN'

By Washome

My, but don't you gals think it was mighty ornery of the stubborn Juniors to resist our mighty Senior lads all afternoon at the footskin premier the other week?...It was to decide which class will wear the trousers around the campus...Well, since our boys were unable to settle the issue, I guess it's up to us femmes to wear the revised men's apparel around the school premises, huh?...Let's make it a reality gals!

Takayo Uyeshima seems to be gettin' a pow'ful lot of attention from the Soph gals, especially a certain Kim H.

The latest triangle: Koji Iriyo, Shoji Hamachi, and personality kid, Ruiko Hashima.

June S. seems to enjoy walking home from church. Hiro Y. is good company, isn't he, June?

The Junior class girls had quite a showing at the Skippers' Dance. Couples attending the gala affair were: Kei and Toru, Yosh and Masaru, Rugged and Fred, Michi and Yukiya.

Have you noticed the resemblance between Osamu Fujii and Jenko Yoshinote?

The High School crowd was well represented at the Modernaire's Dance. Couples seen were...Jimmy and Betty...Irene and Harry...Terry and Mas...Eni and Sadao...Kocher and Suzie...Pec Wee and Funio...and Roy...Tosh and Duck.

WHAT WE LIKE..... Takoko Maeda's peaches 'n cream complexion.

Seizo Tanibata's cheerfulness.

Masako Hori's neatness.

Joe Shikami's looks.

Hiro Fujii's big, dreamy, brown eyes.

Kei Ono's "Pop odent" smile.

Virginia Kikuta's personality.

Miyoko Ishikawa's collections of packages from "SEARS".

# SPANISH CLUB

# IN-THE-MODE

The newly organized Spanish club had their first meeting Monday at 7-5-2.

Presided over by advisor Harold Rogers the group sang Spanish songs, and made plans to draw up a constitution, choose colors, decide on the club name, and vote for officers.

Mr. Shelton of the Fiscal department will be present at the next meeting to show colored slides of South America and relate some of his experiences there.

Persons who have taken Spanish or are taking it now, are eligible to enroll. These people are requested to attend the next meeting Monday.

## WOOD SHOP

The wood shop club under the sponsorship of Brieuce Bouche got under way last Tuesday, Oct. 16. The club met for the first time with "Puppets" being their topic of discussion.

## MODERNAIRES

The Modernaires Dance held October 23, proved to be a success as all the members wore their new club blouses.

Tosh Terazawa was emcee for the affair.

## HOME ECONOMICS

Second meeting of the Home Economics club was held last Tuesday.

Mr. Brieuce Bouche talked to the girls about aiding the Puppet club, those who were interested will go to the meeting of the Puppet club and help make various articles.

The constitution will be read at the next meeting.

## VANDALS ANNIVERSARY

A most enjoyable evening was spent by all who attended the Vandals' first anniversary chicken dinner-dance on October 23 at Mess 24.

The girls were presented with gardenia corsages and single gardenias for their hair, while the boys were given blue and aqua leis.

The excellent table service was by "Lazo, Inc.", white jackets and all.

Time again to see what's going on in the school front. Keep up your moral while the Manzanar wind, the enemy of every student on the campus howls around the corners. In the summer it was that hot sun, now it's cooler, but the wind and dust seem to ruin it all. Dust in your clothes and hair makes the average person look a mess, putting it roughly.

Cooler weather is now bringing forth the wool skirts and sweaters. Keep them brushed---you can't have that groomed look if you don't wield the brush every time you put on your woollens. Also, if you have trouble in keeping your skirts and slacks wrinkle-free, here's a tip. Those good-for-nothing wire hangers you have in your closet come in very handy in keeping your pleated skirts and slacks well-pressed, if you hang them on your hangers by the waistband with clothes pin or two.

Boys will always be presentable if they dress neat. Tee shirts are easy to launder and can be worn without ironing.

Short hair-dos are getting very popular around the campus. When the wind whips around, bringing dust, it just takes a whisk of the comb to put it back in place. Note Lucy Aoki's simple but becoming hair-do. Also note the cute pig-tails sported by the younger girls. Not too much oil, for that greasy look doesn't look natural enough to be attractive. If you don't use shampoos, try making your own by melting castile soap in hot water---it's much more effective than directly applying soap to your tresses.

That's all for now so here's wishing you less windier days.

## ATTEND

PHOTO-FINISH DANCE  
Tomorrow Night!

NEW TEACHERS

MRS. OLTMANS

Mrs. Sarah C. Oltmans is a former resident of Midway, Kentucky, a city in the famous blue grass district.

She is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and has earned her B.A. and M.A. degrees there. She also did graduate work in the University of New York and studied in the "School of Japanese Language and Culture", in Tokyo.

Mrs. Oltmans has taught in Meiji Gakuin and Joshi Gakuin, both in Tokyo, and for this reason, she knows and understands the Issei, Nisei and Kibei very well.

Having associated with them for such a long time, she regretted leaving Japan. Her arrival home was just about a week before war broke out.

She says, she was in a daze to see manzanar so huge and spread out and surprised to hear little tots speak English with such speed and ease. She also says she was glad to see manzanar fixed up so well and amazed to see flowers and green grass growing here.

She enjoys nothing more than studying the stars and finds this valley a favorable place for it.

Mrs. Oltmans is teaching typing and 10th grade English.

MISS WOODAEGE

Miss Bertha Woodaegge, our typing and shorthand teacher, hails from Salem, Oregon. She has a B.A. degree from the University of Oregon and a General Secondary Credential for California and she went to U.C.L.A. last summer.

She came to Manzanar to gain experience in teaching and because she would have more responsibility.

Her ambition is to be an aviatrix and she plans to carry it out next summer. She also loves to ski, swim, and dance.

AIN'T IT THE Truth

They find fault with the staff, The stuff we print is t. shot The news is as peppy As a cemetery lot. The jokes they say are stale. The lower classmen holler The upper classmen rail; But when the paper's issued

If someone doesn't get one You can hear his yell a mile.

--Desert Sentinel

The PRODIGAL GIRL

A girl's good name is her one priceless possession. To a boy, a reputation is not as important as his escapades are excused with the age old adage "boys will be boys". So to the parents and student gossip mongers, I dedicate this poem found in a newspaper.

THE PRODIGAL GIRL

Sweet poets have sung of the beauties of home, Its comfort, its love and its joy:

How back to the peace of its sheltering dome, I welcome the prodigal boy.

Classroom

Miss Gulberg's social problems classes are studying about the negroes and their problems.

The afternoon gym classes are practicing the football plays given by Coach Higa.

The Home Economics class is dehydrating eggplants and canning pears and tomatoes.

The Drama class is preparing for a Christmas play.

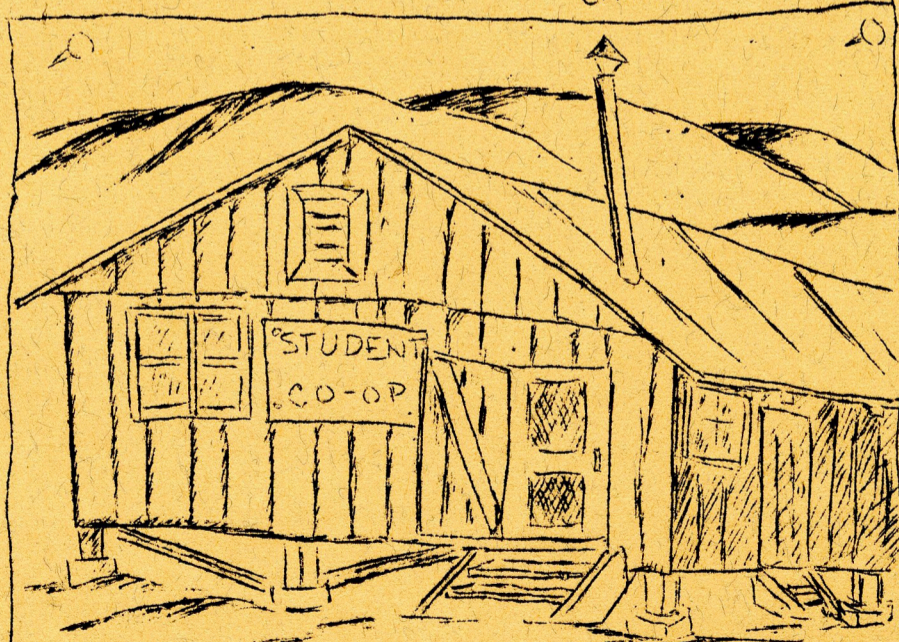
The students of the Trigonometry class are learning their subject in a very orderly fashion.

The girl may come back to the home she has left, But nothing is ever the same; The shadow still lingers o'er the dear ones bereft, Society scoffs at her name.

Perhaps that is why, when the prodigal girl Gets lost on life's devious track, She thinks of the lips that will scornfully curl, and hasn't the heart to come back.

Let this serve as conscience to the various gossipers before they tear the name of any girl to shreds.

Showing Union Pacific



Will this be a REALITY?

# JUNIOR Personality Dedications DANCE

Highlighting the social functions of the week, the Juniors held a pre-Halloween - Installation dance, Saturday, at Paladium nine.

Yuki Shiba MC'd during the first half of the evening when MC George Takahashi failed to appear until later in the evening.

Latest recordings of the nation's top bands were furnished and played through Towru Nagano's P.A. system.

Principal Collin C. Fox was presented during the intermission period by MC George Takahashi.

The new Junior cabinet consists of President Sherry Hashimoto, Girl's vice-president Yuki Shiba, Boy's vice president Tom Hashimoto, secretary Teddy Hayashi, treasurer Tats Marumoto, historian Florence Kimura, publicity manager Kampe Honda, boy's athletic manager Nob Ishino, and Girl's athletic manager Mary Myose. The co-sponsors of the Junior class are Miss Helen Wly and Mrs. Blanche Chester.

The long awaited results of last weeks Ideal Girls' and Ideal Boys' were tallied and the following were the students choices:

- Ideal Girls'  
 Personality.....Yuki Shiba  
 Popularity...Miye Ishikawa  
 Best Looking.....Margaret Kamimura  
 Hair.....Umeko Kodama  
 Figure.....Chickie Hirooka  
 Complexion....Takeko Maeda  
 Athletic.....Kaz Yoshimura  
 Best Dancer..Peewee Hasegawa

- Ideal Boys'  
 Personality...Yosh Shibuya  
 Popularity.....Alph Lanz  
 Physique.....Teiyi Ohara  
 Best Looking..George Tamura  
 Smile.....Mame Murata  
 Athletic.....Mino Imai  
 Best Dancer..Isamu Iwasaki

## PHOTO FINISH

Yes! That's right kids. It's the PHOTO-FINISH DANCE sponsored by the Journalism classes to raise money for the annual. The refreshments "WOW", you can't beat them.

"Toy Trumpet"  
It's really "solid" seventh period orchestra!!! We'll be hearing from you in the near future.

"Why Don't You Do Right?"  
To all ye slow members of the Algebra class. Not mentioning any name "Pop" and "Pede".

"Moaning Low"  
We like to dedicate this number to all the unfortunate students who had their six weeks tests.

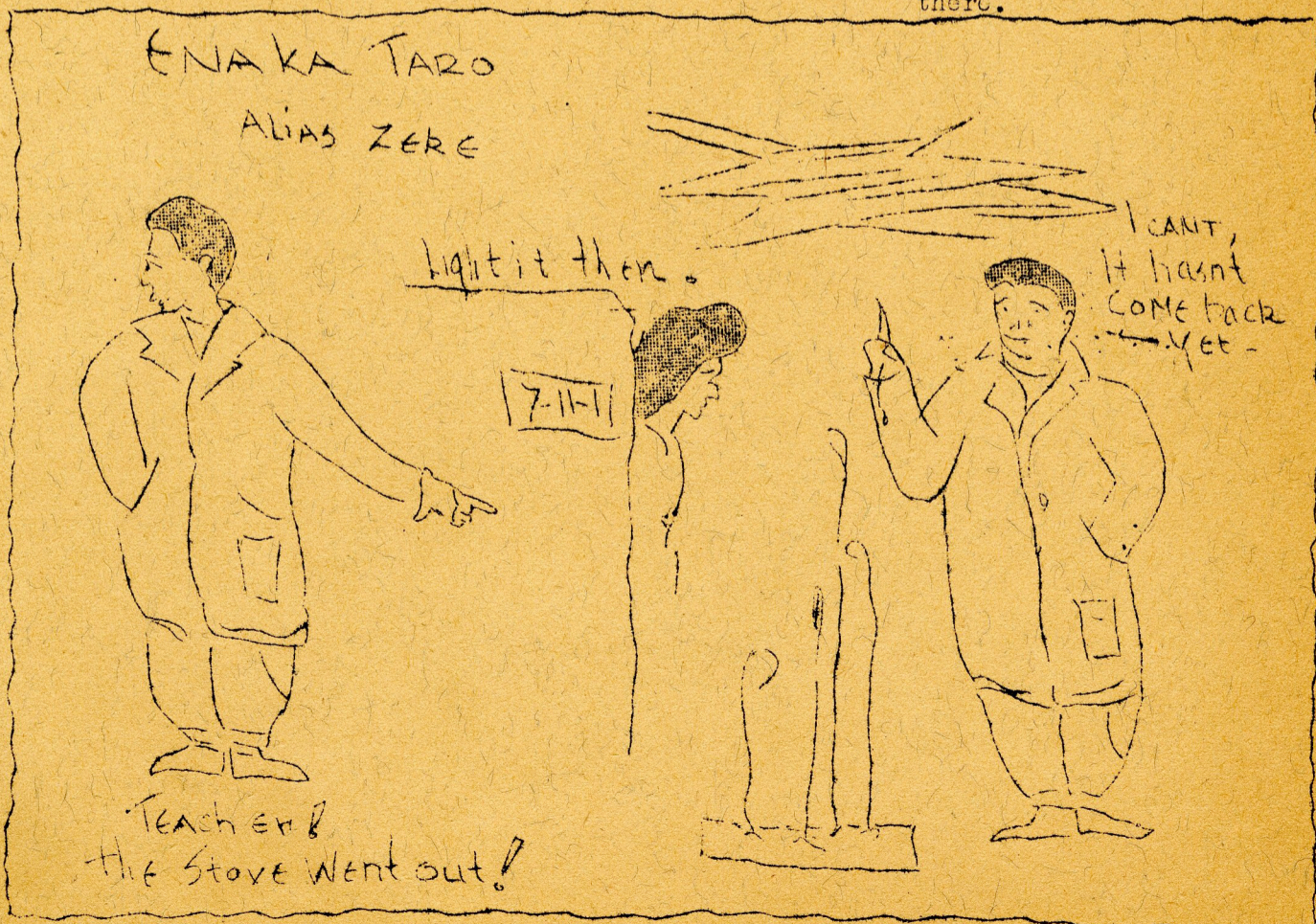
"I'm Singing the Blues"  
Dedicated to all those students seen in action in 7-4-4---DEFLECTION!!!

"If You Please"  
students; this is our campus--let's keep it clean. Don't leave it up to the Trade Winds.

The dance will be at Ambassador 10, tomorrow nit October 30. The time is slated for 7:30 p.m. The cover charge is only 35¢ a couple.

There are only a limited number of tickets being sold. Get yours before it is too late.

Let's see every one out there.



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## Gals SPORTS

by Gracie

### CLAM DIGS

Making its first appearance on this page is the newly written column known as "Clam Digs." Picking up odds and ends of news thru out the gym classes, we find many interesting facts.

Ever see a noisier threesome than the Rosie, Teddy, and Marion combination? Incidentally, they represent the fifth period class "Darn that ball," is an old phrase used by Yoshiko Nagai. Take notice of her different shaped finger nails. Showing good volley ball playing is Masako Hata. The second period is monopolized by the "Sub-Debs" incorporated. The cute little seventh graders didn't turn out to be bad volleyettes after all. Can't help noticing: Junko Yoshimoto's red clam digs. The familiar shorts. Two tone color of half daikons and half gobos. Boys peering out of study hall, to concentrate on the parade of victory gardens instead of their lessons. The crowded dressing rooms, and the lack of mirrors.

### G.A.A. Reports

The second meeting of the newly organized G. A. A. was held on October 15 in 7-10-4. The constitution was read and few changes were made in the point system. There was a discussion on how to earn points in order that the girls may earn their letters and sweaters. There was also an election of yell lead-

### PERSONALITY in Sports

Hitting the sport personality of this week is one of the most active members of the campus. Coming out of hibernation, is the girl with the pepsodont (baby) smile, Rosie Tamai.

Rosie is one of the outstanding members of the junior class. Showing her ability in sports, she has made the all star team for both baseball and basketball. She is a member of the newly formed G. A. A. To get the Girls in the G. A. A. spirit, she has been elected to lead them in te yells and songs for the coming semester. Rosie now holds the office of vice-proxy in the "Joc Funsters" club. Her favorite past time is reading and eating. If asked her favorite dish, it's a sure answer of "turkey a la hash".

Entering Manzanar on a windy day in April, she doesn't regret coming here. To her advantage, she claims if she hadn't set foot on the soil of Manzanar, she would never have had a chance to meet so many new and "interesting" people. Her plans for the future include going to college and then work on a newspaper.

ers. Rose Tamai was elected as head yell leader, while Toshiko Morishita and Ruby Oshio will assist her.

G. A. A. membership is still open for all girls in Junior and Senior High, so come on out and join. Regular meetings will be held on the first and third Fridays of the month.

### Sports Squeeks

With the introduction this column many persons have taken advantage of "giving out" with their squeeks.

First we meet the one squeek many fellows have had for some time..... Squeek: when do we get outside competition?

Answer: The physical education department has been working on the plans and have them almost complete. One problem that has come up is in acquiring the transportation facilities, you know priorities etc.....

Squeek: This is a very familiar one. "I wan'a take a shower before my next period."

Answer: Well, as the usual answer is "Lack of facilities" but that ever active physical education department has thought up of a angle which might (and I hope) result in a shower room for the boys.

Since space does not permit, this will be all for now, but in the next issue there will be "more."

### OTHER NEWS

From far away Rohwer High School in Arkansas comes news that the Intramural season has opened there with football as the classic. The teams there are classified by grades and also by the general classification - A, B, or C.

Thus, if you see that 12 A-01 is leading the league it means grade 12, class A-first team.

As the games progress, we'll let you know who the winners are.

From neighboring Butte High School in Gila Relocation Center comes the news that they are to compete in the National Physical Fitness Program, outlined by the Federal Government.

# ATHLETE

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Sports  
with Rabbit

## JRS. HOLD SRS. TO STALEMATE

Last Friday, before a gigantic crowd of both Junior and Senior football fans, the first annual Junior-Senior football classic took place. Here both teams displayed coolness under fire as the Juniors were led by Captain Mas Kusaba, Tadashi Mukai, Kiyosuke Ono, Shorty Hashimoto, and Ujiiyaki Niwa.

While for the Seniors Reggie Shikami, Mike Minate, Min Takimoto, Mas Imamoto, Yoshindo Shibuya, Ralph Lazo, Tsugi Sakata, Bruce Kaji, Charles Sato, Harry Kikuta, Rabbit Katayama, and others sparked their team.

The game was hard fought and every inch toward the other's goal was contested. The Sports Staff wishes to congratulate to both sides for their brilliant playing. Also the staff wishes to thank all the officials for their kind cooperation.

This week we are enriched because we have received some sports news from the other camps. We are trying very hard to contact all the camps, but as yet only two of the have answered. So, be patient and the Rabbit will get all news that he can.

Well, we've finally started the "Athlete of the Week", with dynamic Shorty Hashimoto as the first one. More will come so bring in your suggestions and leave them in the suggestion box on the east side of 7-11-1 in care of the Sports Staff.

Also the spooks should not be forgotten! Well, That's thirty for now!

Last Friday in a hard fought struggle, the Senior-Junior game came to an end, with the score 0-0. From the kickoff at 3:45, the game progressed rapidly with no score. The Juniors threatened the Seniors goal a number of times, but were thrown back either by the Senior line or by penalties.

The first quarter showed hardly any action, with both sides falling the other's defense and displaying various styles of kicks.

In the second quarter, the Juniors threatened the Senior's goal the most seriously. From their own 30 yard line they booted the pigskin. Mike Minate, the safety man for the Seniors fumbled and the Juniors recovered the ball over the Seniors 10 yard line. The line plunges failed. Third time they ran around the right and picked up about nine yards. Then a penalty was called for fifteen yards and repeated for another fifteen yards. This brought the ball back to the Seniors 35 yard line. On fourth down and barely 15 to go, the Juniors took to the air. The pass was for about five yards gain as the half ended.

In the third quarter the Seniors took to the air and went marching down the field only to lose the ball on downs, where the Juniors kicked and the Seniors again started their march. With about five minutes to go, Co-captain Reggie Shikami displayed an array of passes. He let one fly for about 35 yards with Shoji Maryama on the receiving end. There with first down and goal to go the Seniors again took to the air. On the second trial, Shikami passes to Taddy Nakashima in the end zone. It was completed but Nakashima was over the side line and the play was called back.

Then it was third down and fifteen to go. This time Shikami threw the pigskin to Mas Imamoto, who went into the atmosphere to snag the ball, but after a short conference with the head linesmen, it was agreed that the ball would have been caught outside the end zone if the goal post had not been there.

Then it was fourth down, but the pass did not connect. After a few climaxing plays the game ended a tie 0-0.

ATHLETE  
of the Week

Hailing from San Pedro, California is our first "Athlete of the Week." His name is Hisao "Shorty" Hashimoto, and at the present time he is doing a very good job of holding down the keystone sack for the San Pedro Skippers hardball team.

When he first came to camp he played for the Pirates who took the championship in the Owens League. He proved himself as an important cog on the team.

Asked by your reporter what his favorite sport was, he commented: "Basketball!"

He is also the hard working Junior class proxy.

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## Editorials

### A GOOD POLICY

Good Sportsmanship is the one thing that all coaches and teachers everywhere are striving to put into the heads of the athletes and would-be-athletes all over the world. They know that it doesn't do a person a bit of good to carry a grudge and a chip on his shoulder. This will hamper the person in life no matter who he is. With a chip on his shoulder one cannot reach the acme of his ability, since he tries a lot harder to get the other fellow rather than to do his job whatever it is. This fact has been proven over and over by many noted psychiatrists.

Good sportsmanship toward a winning team makes that side glad to play again and build up their respect for you.

Knute Rockne's sportsman's prayer is not just a bunch of ballyhoo. Sit down for a moment and read it carefully. It is a poem which is out of the class of other poems. There is an infinite beauty in it that appeals to the heart.

So, if you happen to lose in any contest, be a good sport and remember the sportsman's prayer.

### LETTERS TO THE *Editor*

Dear editor:

What happened to the school name??? or are you going to have one.

Dear Editor:

I would like to know more about this school annual we are going to have. Is it going to range from the 7th grade through the Senior, or are the Junior High going to have a different one.

Please give us more information on this matter.

Ninth Grader

This annual is going to be for the combined student body. That is why we want everyone's cooperation when anything is put on for the benefit of the annual. For additional information look in this issue of the "Campus Pepper". (Ed.)

## Incidentally

Before coming to Manzanar the nisei students were praised for their scholastic achievement and behavior. Reports of niseis receiving high honors were common. The desire to out do others was kindled by stories of the many job opportunities for well educated men. Nisei college graduates have been deprived of skilled jobs in the past, consequently they have had to take unskilled jobs.

Today the barriers of discrimination have been lifted in most industries. Niseis are being called upon from every walk of life to contribute their skills toward the war effort. Never before in all our history of nisei problems have the Caucasians been so anxious to employ us. Frantic cries for aid in vital agricultural areas and defense areas have been answered by the nisei alleviating the man power shortage.

We must be grateful that our elders have been able to gather a sufficient amount of knowledge to accomplish the facts desired by their employers. They have shown what the nisei can do if given a fair chance. Soon our turn to follow the tracks of our brothers will come. We must be prepared to cope with difficulties that may arise during the time of employment. This preparedness must be attained while in school. Discouraging as it may seem most of us have lessened our interest in school. There are several cases of students who have been earning grades to be envied until they had received their first report card from Manzanar High School. Excuses range from a-z. However, as clever as these excuses may be they will not aid us one bit in our preparedness to handle environmental difficulties when we relocate.

Let's change our attitude toward school before it is too late. Our test will inevitably come and we may as well be prepared for it now!