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Workers Needed To Replace 700 Tule Lake Goers

Rivers is faced by a serious labor shortage as 700 segregants now on the project payroll will have to be replaced immediately, announced William Huso, Employment Supervisor. In addition to the segregants, approximately 35 workers are leaving the project every week, leaving jobs that must be filled. There is an opening in almost every type of job on the project.

Said Huso, "We are working out an availability list of every job in the center. Residents who wish to work can designate their choices from this list and work accordingly."

Those looking for jobs are advised to go to the employment office instead of to the section heads for quicker service.

Everyone should feel some responsibility to the community welfare by applying for jobs that they feel best qualified for, added Huso.

Some of the jobs open are as follows: mess-284, farm-112, engineering-69, motor pool-61 and hospital-38.

RELOCATERS: Fingerprints And Photos A 'Must'

Residents are reminded once again that everyone who relocates must have his picture and fingerprints taken before he leaves Rivers, announced Henry C. Freeland, leave officer.

Identification pictures may be taken as soon as the application has been approved by Wilson Hart, assistant placement officer.

Fingerprints must be taken on the day before the relocater leaves.

CO-OP STARTS CASH PAYMENT OF REFUNDS TO SEGREGANTS

More than \$13,000 of the Co-op patronage refund will be paid in cash to Tule Lake-bound Gilas and the first checks are being mailed today, declared Matsato Kato, secretary of the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc.

The rest of the total patronage refund for the period between July 23, 1942 to June 30, 1943, will go to the remaining resident members in the form of revolving fund certificates which are re-

deemable in cash at a later date to be designated by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors, at an emergency meeting, voted to pay cash to Tulegoers after the Washington office wired approval for the Co-op to pay cash dividends to segregants before the WRA loan has been paid up. Checks, which are being paid to segregants, include total refund plus interest (3% per annum interest beginning June 30, 1943).

Figuring refunds for more than 7,000 members is about completed and they are being rechecked now, stated Kato.

Liaison Officers For Trip Named

One WRA Caucasian representative will accompany each of the four train trips to Tule as a representative of the Director of the WRA to act as liaison officer between evacuees and the military train commander.

Earl H. Goodman, Gordon Brown, John Welles, and Hugo Wolter will accompany the four Gila trains in that order.

Their duties will be generally to see that operations enroute proceed smoothly, cooperate with the military train commander in getting proper cooperation, attention, and observance from the evacuees, and carry out any other liaison functions, as the occasion may require.

The first day's trip will take 511, second day 477, third 486, and 482 will go the last day for a total of 1,956.

'This Is America' On Butte Screen

Wednesday night in Butte, the first of the "This is America" series of movies assembled by Washington to show the physical characters, types of work and war time conditions in those regions where resettlement is taking place, will be shown at the amphitheatre free of charge from 8 p.m. The same film was shown in Canal last night.

The first picture will be "Hello Chicago," a group of five films depicting life in Chicago and the Middle Western States.

Other films to follow in ten day intervals include "Farming East of The Rockies," "Northern Eastern States," "This Amazing America," and others.

GILA LEADS BS, GR MEMBERSHIP

Gila leads in the 10 relocation centers in the Boy Scout and Girl Reserve membership and comes second to Colorado River, in the number of Girl Scouts, according to an August

report from the Washington office.

There are 432 Boy Scouts and cubs at Gila River. Gila leads in the Girl Reserves group with 250 members. Gila has 305 girls.

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editorial: BACK TO CALIFORNIA?

Two news stories which broke in the nation's capitol, and a letter received on the project build up a pretty good case for the reopening, or say, the demilitarization, of California to evacuees. The first of the news stories was the order which relieved Lt. Gen. DeWitt of his Western Defense Command, and assigned Lt. Gen. Emmons, former commander of Central Pacific, to the position. The second news story was the statement by President Roosevelt that evacuees would be returned to the West Coast as soon as the military situation warranted such a move. The letter received on the project was from a former employer to an evacuee stating that the Pacific Coast may be opened within three months.

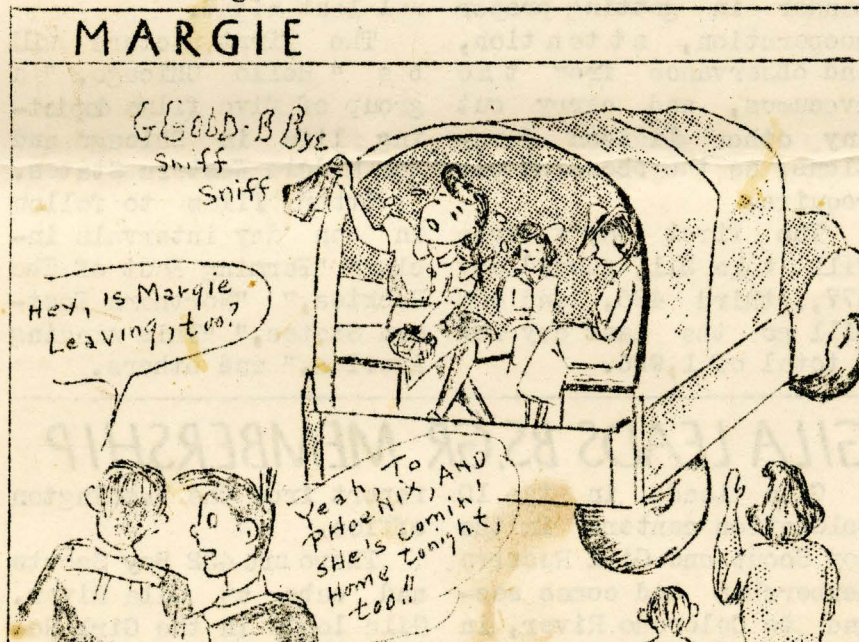
The conclusion that California will be a "free" zone again is conjecture. Whether it will become fact or not only time will tell, for even though War Department may have plans now, they may be upset by many things which can happen. (For instance, if we permit ourselves to dwell on conjectures, Gen. DeWitt's famous crack was supposed to have upset early attempts to open the West Coast.) Even now, the West Coast congressmen are rallying forces behind Rep. Costello to prevent any such move.

If the results are finally favorable to the evacuees and they can return, it will be a triumph of right over wrong. It will also relieve nisei of some of the stigma of being classified as second class citizens. As such, their acceptance in new communities further east will become more general.

But if California is opened and nisei stop resettling, then the results will have been bad, also. For prejudice-bound California is definitely not a place for nisei who wish to be other than a farmer, a gardener, or a fruit stand employee.

Already we know of many persons who are confused by the news, some who are seriously contemplating a return to a familiar rut. To a few, we believe, the return would be the most advisable move. But to the great majority who have broken off all business ties, it can only mean retrogression.

In general the nisei, who have been stung to the quick by the rampant racists and turn-coat friends (many remained true), have no strong "back to California" sentiment. They have a long life ahead of them, and the oppressive atmosphere of the West Coast is not inviting.



LETTER

Chicago And The Evacuee

We read a long, rambling, yet ~~surprisingly~~ revealing letter to William Hiseo from Hiroshi Yamamoto, former Gila, now employed in Chicago as a landscape artist. Says Hiroshi, (as condensed:)

"In as much as resettlement is important now, let me put down a few things that appear so obvious and peculiar to me.

"Bordering the main business section, known as the "Loop," may be found the tenement houses and homes for different racial groups. They seem to have settled in certain districts and in many you can find those who cannot speak English. Due to the heavy racial differences and composition of the city, one meets little discrimination.

"But everyone of any means commutes from the suburban areas which encircle the city.

"Most of the relocated evacuees live in those areas just adjacent to the tenement districts in one or one and a half room apartments with kitchenette facilities, usually coupled with a friend to combat loneliness and to save expenses. They cook their meals and also prepare and take lunch for noon meals. They are seemingly well accepted and seem to make excellent tenants as they complain little and pay their rent faithfully. There are concentrations of evacuees in certain areas.

"Most of the people are working in industrial and manufacturing plants in various parts of the town. Professional and skilled workers find trouble in getting jobs they want. The need for joint board clearances for defense jobs, which take so long to get, has worked hardships on many who are skilled in certain types of work. But the young can always find a job.

"It is the issei who have difficulty. Only domestic or, restaurant hotel, etc., jobs which pay

Sweet Potatoes On Tables Soon

Harvesting of Rivers' 30 acre crop of sweet potatoes got under way the latter part of last week. A good crop is assured to residents. Distribution to the mess halls will start this week.

None of the sweet potatoes will be shipped to the other centers. Because they can be stored for a long period, the whole crop will be used for center consumption.

From another field, a bale of cotton, one of Rivers' war crops, is being picked daily.

Each field unit is meeting the planting schedule requested by Washington.

PETS SHIPPABLE TO TULE LAKE

The latest bulletin from the ninth service command at Fort Douglas, Utah, states that pets may be shipped to Tule Lake at government expense. It corrects its previous announcement that pets cannot be shipped.

Details concerning the shipping of pets may be obtained through block consultants.

GAMBLER FINED AND SENTENCED

Five residents charged with allowing gambling games in their quarters were fined \$25 or the alternative of 25 days in jail last week. Three have paid and the other two are expected to pay.

Six participants in gambling were fined \$10 or 10 days in jail. Their sentences were suspended, pending good behavior for 60 days.

TROOP MEET TONITE

A combined Troop meeting of Troops 46, 47, 52, and 53 will be held tonight at eight. Troop 48 will meet at the regular time and place. They will be under the leadership of Assistant Scoutmaster John Fuyume.

All drums are to be turned in at Scoutheadquarters tonight.

ACCEPTABILITY OF RIVERS CREDITS AFFIRMED BY SAWYER

Rumors that the work in the Gila project high schools will not be accepted for college entrance and that the schools are not accredited, were spiked by W.C. Sawyer, Supt. of Education, with the following statement:

"This summer, some 60 graduates of Rivers high schools have been admitted to colleges and universities throughout the country. There is no known case of refusing a transcript of our credits at face value, but in two instances, students have written to institutions asking if their credits would be accepted. These institutions, not having an Arizona high school accredited transcript blanks, could do nothing but look on last year's list of accredited Arizona high schools or similar lists issued by the University of Arizona. The Rivers high schools did not appear on either list be-

cause such lists are made up during October and November of each year. At that time, our schools were just getting underway—they were inadequate and had not been inspected by the state high school inspector.

But upon inspection, the state high school inspector wrote to W.F. Miller, Butte high principal on May 21, 1943 that the Rivers high schools were given a Class B rating.

It is advisable for graduates to rely upon their school to secure the acceptance of their transcript rather than to do it themselves.

TULE LAKE

Trip Delayed For Pregnant Women

Women pregnant over six months will not be allowed to travel to Tule Lake according to a teletype from Dillon Myer.

All women of more than six months, who previously had been okayed by the medical officer, have been taken off the train list together with members of the immediate family.

Myer's teletype states in part as follows: "Segregation manual provides for delaying of women more than six months pregnant. This was done under agreement with the Ninth Service Command. Some medical officers have moved the period to eight months. Since such action violates agreement with the army, it can't be approved."

DRY GOODS OPEN SUIT ORDER DEPT.

Men's and women's suit order department opened at the Butte Dry Goods store Sept. 20.

Orders and measurements for suits, overcoats, slacks, and skirts will be taken by a professional tailor.

On the second and every alternate week, the suit order department will move to the Canal Dry Goods store. Store hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

GOLFING ON LAWN PROHIBITED

Project Director Leroy Bennett has directed the Internal Security to see that no one golfs on the lawn within the community, said Chief Fred Graves.

Chief Graves requests that golfers who on a few occasions have teed off on the lawns, refrain from doing so because it endangers property and the safety of residents.

Trash, Rubbish Clean-up Asked

Because the trash and rubbish crew cannot cope with the cleanup of the communities if trash and rubbish are thrown all over the vacant lots and roads, residents of both Butte and Canal are asked by Ellsworth Nichols, Supt. of Grounds, to put them at designated spots in each block, where boxes are placed for such purpose. If the boxes are full, it should be put beside them, so the crew may pick it up from a centralized spot.

JOB OFFERS**PLANT WORKERS-Peoria, Ill.**

Three men to work in the bottling plant and make truck deliveries of Coca Cola. Salary for the trucking job is \$150.00 per month, for work in the bottling department 50¢ to 60¢ per hour.

REGISTERED NURSE - Anamosa, Iowa.

Opening for one registered nurse in the Mercy Hospital, to do general and floor work duties. Salary \$90 per month, plus full maintenance.

WATCHMAKER - Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Opening in a wholesale watch repair shop, for one experienced watchmaker. Salary \$50 per week to start, 5½ days per week, 8 hours a day. Time and one half for overtime.

JANITOR-Madison, Wisconsin.

Kayser Motor Inc., one opening for a man to do janitorial work. Previous experience required. Wages \$115 to \$130 per month, depending upon experience.

JEWELRY REPAIRMAN-Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

One opening for a qualified jewelry repairman, in a wholesale jewelry firm engaged in a mail order business. Experience in stone setting necessary. Starting salary \$40 per week.

DOMESTIC - Cleveland, Ohio.

One couple. Woman to cook and do house cleaning. Man to assist in cleaning, drive and take care of a Lincoln Mercury Ford car, assist in small garden and yard work. \$140 to \$150 per month plus full maintenance.

DOMESTIC-Peoria, Illinois.

Opening for 2 girls as domestics in a home of 3 adults. One girl to do the cooking and other girl to do housemaid duties. Laundry is sent out. \$15 per week for each girl, plus full maintenance.

DOMESTIC-Kansas City, Missouri.

One couple to do the cooking and housework in a doctor's pent-house home. Salary is \$150 per month with increases if satisfactory.

Butte YBA Plans Farewell Outing

As a farewell to YBA members leaving for Tule Lake, the club will hold a Bussei outing Friday, Sept. 24, in back of the camouflage factory from 6 p.m. Those planning to go are requested to meet at Temple 63. Ten cents per person will be assessed. A bonfire supper will be enjoyed, followed by mass community singing.

JOINT MEET FOR EX-SERVICEMEN

Butte Ex-Servicemen's club will assemble at 8 tonight at 57-11-A, to be picked up to hold their meeting in Canal.

Canal Ex-Servicemen's club will hold a meeting tonight at mess 13 at 8:30. There will be entertainment, with the Navy and White girls assisting. Servicemen welcome.

WORKERS NEEDED

More workers are needed on the OPA project in Rivers. Part-time workers may apply for this job.

All interested persons are asked to contact Mina-to Mayeda in the employment office, 69-8.

AN EVACUEE IN CHICAGO

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less than enough to furnish a living for a family of any size are available in any quantity. This, with the serious housing shortage make the advent of older person with a family inadvisable unless he is certain of making ends meet. They also get lonesome for their own kind.

"But if some of the hardier souls can be induced to come out here to the Mid-West and farm, I would think that a great future awaits them. Even with my limited knowledge of agriculture, I cannot help but notice the richness of the soil, the abundance of water, and nearness to market, and the variety of crops that can be grown here. This outlet should be considered by Gila farmers."

SCOUTS HOLD COURT OF HONOR

On Thursday, Sept. 23, Scouts of Troop 63 will hold a Court of Honor at the Scout Hall, rec. 23. At this time, the scouts will receive their second class and merit badges with V. W. Marshall, local Commissioner, presenting the awards.

All parents of the scouts are cordially invited to attend.

CANAL "Y" GIRLS CALL MEETING

A board meeting of the Canal "Y" Working Girls will be held at the CAS office tonight from 8:30. All board members are requested to attend.

Vital Statistics**MARRIAGES**

September 24, Tom Tamotsu Hirakawa, formerly of Kingsburg, to Kikuyo Yamamoto of Parlier.

Toshio Watanabe, San Pedro, to Tsuruye Uyeda, Hynes.

Rev. Imai To Speak At Canal

A special meeting will be held at the Canal Christian Church tomorrow at 8 p.m. The Rev. Keiichi Imai from Poston as guest speaker. Rev. Imai arrived in Rivers on Sept. 13 and has already spoken at various meetings.

A former resident of Dinuba, he has devoted much of his time organizing and encouraging Y.P. work in Central California.

WHO'D UNIT?

Murder-sabotage-mystery. If that appeals to your taste, read "When Hearts Are Light Again," by Emilie Loring, on the Butte community library rental shelf.

Library Adds Best Seller

Current best-seller, "U.S. Foreign Policy," by Walter Lippman, a recount of what this New York Herald-Tribune columnist has learned and understood on the subject for a period of over 30 years, is now available at the Butte community library on the rental shelf.

COMING-GOING

COMING DEPARTURES

Thursday, September 23.

ARIZONA, Poston. Uta Gyotoku.

OHIO, Cleveland. Louis Hayashida.

NEW YORK, New York City, Marilyn Iseri, Cathleen Shimomura, Yuriko Amomiya and Ruth Takahara.

WASHINGTON D. C. Roger Tomomi Sato.

MINNESOTA, Minneapolis. Minnie Matsuura; Arthur Matsuura; Ethel, Fusa and Gilo Otomo.

Rochester. Emiko Misaki

ILLINOIS, Crystal Lake. Ada Michiko Okamoto.

Chicago. Rei Yoshihara, Harry and Dorothy Baba.

MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor. Steere Yoshiski and Katsuye Noda.

KANSAS, Winfield. Mary Nakahiro.

ADMISSIONS: Sept. 17.

UTAH, Murray. Tatsuko Onishi.

ARIZONA, Poston. Alfred Teruyoshi Okahira, Kazuo Ikeda, Robert Kanagawa and Yukio Muiino.

UTAH, Topaz. George Shigeru Aso.

MISSISSIPPI, Camp Shelby. Pvt. Henry Nakada and S/S William T. Ikeda.

DEPARTURES, Sept. 16

OHIO, Cleveland. Ralph Yukio Yamagata, Kiho Tamaki, Henry Kozo Nakata and Paul Yoshikazu Goya.

MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor. Newton Ishiura and Tomio Sugano.

COLORADO, Denver. Hiroshi Yamada.

ARIZONA, Poston. Hiroko, Jimmy Yoshihiro, Beulah Yasuko, Katherine Chizuko, Richard Kazuhiro and Hiroshi Mizuno.

VISITORS, Sept. 16

ARIZONA, Poston. Willis Shimozone, returned.

MISSISSIPPI, Camp Shelby. Pvt. Ken Tashiro, and Milton Matsumoto.

Jackson. Norman Yaritate.

NEBRASKA, Harry Ota.

UTAH, Provo. Takao Furukawa and Norman Shimakawa.

WANTED

Anyone with experience as auto mechanic, contact Dr. Monika Kehoe at vocational training office, 43-1-C.

TRAVEL RULES FOR SEGREGANTS

There will be at least two short exercise periods each day for evacuees while on route to Tule Lake, according to a bulletin from the Ninth Service Command at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Train stops for exercise periods will always be in open country and not in cities or towns. Evacuees aboard trains will be instructed by the military train commander regarding the rules to be observed when detraining.

You're Welcome

Several new catalogs on business schools in the Pennsylvania region are now available at the Butte Student Relocation office, 43-1-C. All are cordially invited to look them over.

Harper To Head Leupp Police

C. A. Harper, former Associate Director of Internal Security in Rivers, left last week for Leupp, Arizona, where he will be promoted to Chief of Internal Security. Replacing Harper will be Claggett Offutt, who was associate director in Butte, in charge of the mounted patrol. It was announced that the policies set down by their department will remain unchanged.

James L. Sparks arrived Tuesday from Los Angeles to assume duties as Internal Security officer on this project.

PUBLIC HEALTH MOVES OFFICES

The Public Health service offices have been moved to 41-3-D. Mrs. Rose Inuma has been named assistant to Mrs. Fujiya Tagashiro.

Mrs. Florence Temple, former assistant chief nurse, resigned and left Rivers last week to accept a position with the Santa Fe Hospital staff in Clovis, New Mexico.

Mrs. Bernice Stringer, RN, and Miss Mary Montalvo, RN, from San Juan in Puerto Rico are the latest additions to the staff.

CAS Releases October Movies

Movie schedule for October was released by the CAS as follows: Oct. 1-2: "What's Cooking," Oct. 8-9: "Son of Fury," Oct. 15-16: "Once Upon a Honeymoon," Oct. 22-23: "China Girl," and Oct. 29-30 "Falcon Takes Over." Shows will be Fridays in Butte, Saturdays for Canal.

ENGLISH STUDENTS MUST REGISTER

English students in Canal, or those planning to take English must register at rec. hall 13 tomorrow between 7-9 p.m. announced Michael Endo, assistant adult education director.

All new classes will start Monday, Sept. 27. The advanced classes will be taught by Caucasian teachers, the beginners by evacuees.

Poultry and beef production classes now in session will accept new students. In 13-10-A under Clyde Tyrell in Canal, 43-3-D in Butte under Leslie George, both held Monday through Friday.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING GIVEN

Newly offered this semester to ready the Rivers students for relocation, the vocational training course has attracted 87 juniors and seniors, announces Dr. Monika Kehoe, vocational adviser.

Among the fields in which 32 boys, 21 girls in Butte, and 19 boys, 10 girls in Canal are acquiring skills are: domestic, dietetics, beauty shop, sales clerk, secretarial, bookkeeping, butchering, carpentry, sanitary engineering, lab technician, photography and barber.

NURSE CORPS

Two more Rivers girls have been accepted by the U. S. Nurse Corps making a total of four Rivers girls now in the Corps.

Michiko Sata, student nurse, and Lynne Miura, nurse's aide, left this morning for two years of training at the Women's Hospital in Philadelphia.

YES YES, NO NO NINE SPLIT SERIES EVEN 1 ALL

Tule Bound Nine Loses First— 5-4 Takes Second Tilt By 7-5

Butte's Yes Yes and No No nines split one apiece in their series over the week-end. The Tule-bound squad lost out Saturday 5-4 but came back to take the second tilt 7-5 last Sunday night.

It was decided not to hold the scheduled third game of last night.

Horse Inouye's eighth-frame single to center brought Kenso Zenimura hotfooting it home for the ice-breaking and winning run in the first tussle.

Masato Kinoshita was credited with the win.

The No No's also won their game in the eighth—Masao Iriyama's three-ply hit to right brought Isamu (Shorty) Tomooka and starting chucker Junius Sakuma scurrying home with the decisive tallies.

All in all, the novel classic ended seemingly just right—being called with one win apiece.

First Game: R H E
No No's....010003000-4 8 1
Yes Yes's..20100201X-5 9 0

Batts: Nakamura, Nishimura; Inouye, Kinoshita-
(7), Kanagaki (2).

Second Game: R H E
No No's....010020130-7 8 7
Yes Yes's..300010100-5 6 7

Batts: Nakamura, Sakuma (7), Nishimura (2); Inouye, Ken Zenimura, Mitani (7), Kinoshita (2).

2CAC SOFTBALL COMPETITION:

BLOCKS 25 AND 24 DEFEATS BLOCK 10 ENSEMBLE, BLOCK BUSTERS, 9-8, 5-3

Fighting valiantly for the cellar spot, two grim, set, softball aggregations fought it out, with Block 25 barely nosing out a fast coming Block 10 ensemble by one tally in a 9-8 score. Scratching up 5 runs in the first frame, the 25'ers had gained enough lead to continue throughout the entire fray as pacers.

For another scare in the 2CAC softball race, Tojo Hata's Block 24 had another scare in which they barely escaped with a 5-5 win over the Block Busters combination.

On the Sabbath, a Zero gathering really stuck to their monicker, while the Firemen stuck to their's to blank a sad team 20-0 to gain the highest score-

BASEBALL-BUTTE, CANAL:

'OUTSIDE' CLUBS FROM NEARBY CITIES MAY MAKE APPEARANCE HERE SOON

According to Butte Baseball Czar Ken Zenimura, Hugo Wolter, Community Management Head and H. (Joe) Hikida of the CAS were trying to have some teams from nearby towns to compete here soon. They may get a Florence Intermount Camp nine here.

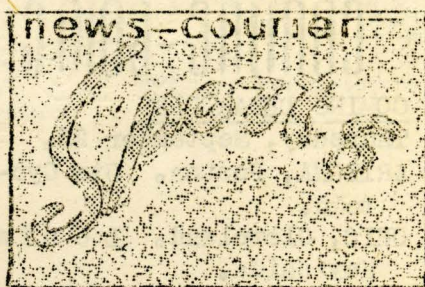
The office of Wolter, who was away yesterday, said that nothing definite could be disclosed yet.

2CAC Baseball Commission Chairman Harry Kono

GRID CIRCUITS OFF UNTIL SEGREGATION

All tentative plans for a football league or leagues have been definitely shelved for after segregation, announced Butte CAS Men's Athletics Director. Horse Inouye yesterday.

Some practice game may be arranged until that time.



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revealed that the Arizona State Semi-Pro Champions, a team from around Phoenix, name undisclosed, may face an all-star group here.

Kono said that the 2CAC managers were slated to hold a meeting last night to discuss plans for a series of Canal farowell games this week -- details being unavailable at press time.

Canal seemed to be having difficulties in forming yes yes against no no's or Tule-bound series. There are more formers than no no's but it is expected to iron out with a couple of the yes yes boys playing for the no no's.

The 2CAC Chairman disclosed that series will most probably be held sometime during the middle of this week. Some intercamp may be arranged for this week-end.

The above with the proposed Butte-Canal All-Stars Championship series is expected to be straightened out as soon as both Kono and Zenimura get together.

The several bee intercamp exhibition tilts were called off due to transportation difficulties.

Block 31 Pacers Lose Exhibition Tilt— To Pasadena White Sox By 6-2

Pasadena White Sox cut loose with five decisive sixth-canto tallies in their 6-2 exhibition game triumph over Block 31 last Sunday morning.

A homer by Pacers' Jack Kasai Jr. broke a 0-0 deadlock in the first of sixth. Hurlers Dave Aisawa and Terumi Yamaguchi toiled against Kasai Jr. and Takoo Koyamatsu.

Block 31's Manager Jack Kasai said he wishes to

thank the Pasadena fans who made donations. The money was turned over to Pacers for a farowell party. Five members are leaving for Tule and Koyamatsu was to leave today for Ohio.

57 BEATEN BY

GILA NEWS-COURIER

NEWS-COURIER defeated Block 57 in ping pong, four matches to three last Saturday night.