

# Gila NEWS-COURIER

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## Consolidation Of Blocks Seen

"Since many blocks will have few inhabitants after segregation, consolidation will no doubt have to take place," states Hugo Wolter, community management division head.

Immediately following the completion of segregation, a committee of Butte and Canal Community Councils and block managers will be formed to work out the details of the consolidation. The committee will then set the population quota for each block, what blocks will be closed, whether to consolidate Canal with Butte, what the closed blocks will be used for, etc.

After a survey of rooms to see what is available, movement will commence sometime in the middle of November.

## New Delegates For Coop Chosen

Members of the Gila Co-op elected 22 new delegates and re-elected 25 to the Congress of Delegates at the semi-annual election held September 10.

The lists of elected delegates follows: Section I: Block 28-S. Kuwamoto\*, 29-Tomitaro Isuzugawa, 30-Hachiro Sakai\*, 31-Motojiro Iwata\*, 32-John I. Fukushima, 33-Kuromi, 34-Kazuo Kajiyama, 36-Yasuo Shimizu, 39-Giichi Nakamura\*, 40-Jurai Nakajima, 44-Sozo Ito, and 45-Ukita-ro Aratani.

Section II: Block 46-Matsuo Nogai, 47-Wataru Kawata, 48-Yoritaro Inoue, 49-Masaji Okamura, 51-Kai-ichi Matsumoto, 52-Atsushi Horita, 54-Miyoshi, 55-Ezaki, 56-Tom H. Kurokawa\*, 65-Eijiro Noguchi\*, 66-Ataru Nakano.

Section III: Block 57-George Hayashi\*, 58-Goro Yeshihashi\*, 59-Kihei Tanaka\*, 60-Utaka Suzuki,

## PERMANENT COUNCIL FOR CANAL TAKES OFFICE OATH

Canal's 17 permanent Councilmen took the oath of office before Project Director Leroy H. Bennett at the first meeting of the permanent Community Council, Tuesday, September 21.

Mats Ando, councilman from block 26, was unanimously elected as temporary chairman until the election of permanent officers. L.T. Hoffman announced that the election of permanent officers is postponed until the next meeting in order to give councilmen a chance to get acquainted with each other.

The Oath of Office requires each person to swear to uphold, preserve, and obey the Constitution of the United States of America and the Canal Community, to faithfully execute his duties as councilman, and to act for the best interests of the residents.

The Council went on record to have a Judicial Commission to try court cases, which until now have been tried by the administration. The Judicial Commission will have the jurisdiction to hear and decide cases involving violations of enactments of the Community Council, and upon a finding of guilt, impose penalties for such violations.

## Co-op Refunds

Cash payment of Co-op refunds to segregants will probably be completed this week, and revolving fund certificates will then be issued to the others, states Masato Kato, secretary.

One check for \$165.48, which was mailed to Wataru Murakami, is the largest single refund payment to date. Checks range from \$165 to a few cents.

61-Tokuhei Matsuzawa, 63-Mitsuyoshi Honda\*, 64-Kanehachi Shibuya\*, 72-Chiezo Miyamoto, 73-George Hori\*, 74-Shigee Yamabe.

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## CHICAGO

### Three to Attend Co-op Confab

Gila River will send three men to the Co-op Conference of relocation center representative to be held in Chicago, Sept. 28.

Purposes of the conference will be to study co-op problems, exchange ideas, and discuss possibilities of establishing a buying committee in New York.

Gila Co-op's Board of Directors chose the following representatives to the Chicago conference: President Tahei Matsunaga, General Manager Bunji Ikenouye, and Buyer Jun Toguri.

## COUNCIL

### REGISTRATION ENDS SATURDAY

Butte residents over 18 must register with block managers before 7 p.m. Saturday to be eligible to vote for permanent Councilmen on election day next Tuesday, stated Dr. Earl Yusa, chairman of the election commission.

One resident from each block will be elected to represent his block on the permanent Community Council. Governmental powers exercisable by the evacuee residents of Butte will be vested in this Community Council.

A Judicial Commission will also be formed to decide cases involving violations of enactments of the Community Council.

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### editorial

## JOB MUST BE DONE

When Washington WRA ordered the reduction of workers from the WRA payroll as of Sept. 1, residents did not like it, but they took it. For Rivers, it seemed hardly a wise course. In a month and a half, segregation (which later was advanced half a month) would have taken care of the reduction.

But now because of that previous order, the employment division is placed in the uncomfortable position of asking for more workers (700) not less than a month after the order was fully effective. Assuredly residents were working more efficiently, took a greater pride in output, and compared favorably with workers on the outside in that short period.

Residents, nevertheless, are people. As such their normal reaction to disruption of routine is dislike.

Yet, as the employment division points out, the need for workers is a real one. Food must be raised so that residents can eat well. School buildings must be erected so that children can receive the education that is a birthright of every American. And various other jobs on the project must be manned that the whole center can operate as it should for the benefit of the residents.

### CO-OP MEMBERS ELECT DELEGATES

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Canal--Section I: Block 3-Teizo Yahanda\*, 4-Teizo Egusa\*, 5-Takeshi Miyamoto\*, 6-Shuhei Terakichi\*, 16-Sakaye Mori\*, 20-Kiyoshi Tsuchiguchi\*, 21-Yoshito Shinomoto\*, 22-Mitsuzo Yamane\*, 23-Kyutaro Fujimoto\*.

Section II: Block 7-Isamu Oto\*, 8-no report, 9-Ben Iida\*, 10-Takato Hamai\*, 24-George Fujiwara\*, 25-Tsuneyoshi Fujimoto\*, 26-Kojiro Hamada\*, 27-Yoshio Kajitani\*.

\*--re-elected.

### FOOD, FUN AT YBA OUTING!!

With promises of food and fun for all, the first Bussei outing will be held tomorrow evening from 6:30 in back of the camouflage factory with Bessie Nagahori as general chairman. Those desiring to go on the outing are asked to gather at Temple 63 from 6 p.m.

Following a twilight supper, mass community singing will be led by Yoshiko Nakamura.

Sign up with the respective block representatives today.

### NEW YORK:

## Committee Writes To F.D.R.

"Your letter to the Senate in regard to the segregation and resettlement of the evacuees is truly expressed in the spirit of our democratic traditions and is an encouraging and welcome note at this time," wrote the Japanese American Committee for Democracy of New York City to President Roosevelt.

Excerpts from the letter follows:

Coming from you as President, the sentiments expressed will undoubtedly be of aid in furthering the entire relocation program by clarifying the American public on the question of the evacuees.

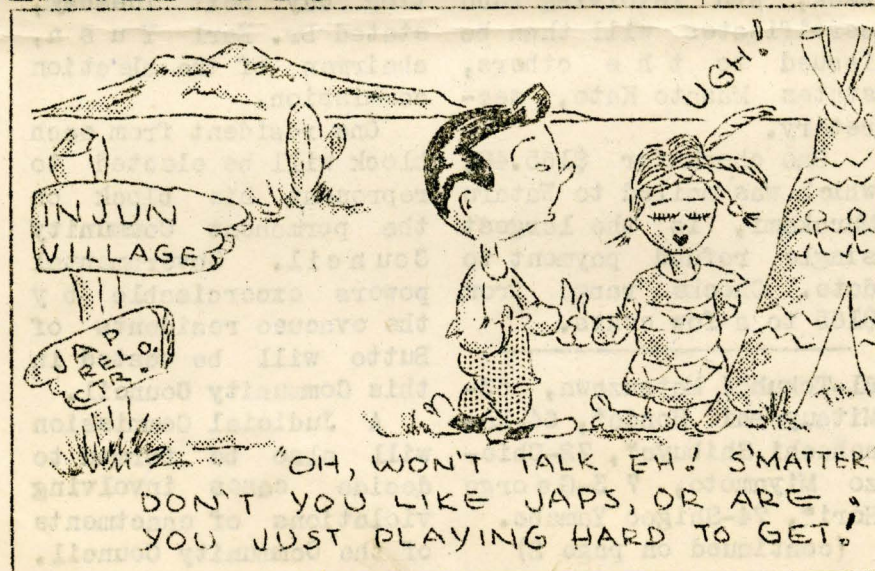
Your statement that "We shall restore to the loyal evacuees the right to return to the evacuated areas as soon as the military situation will make such restoration feasible" gives clearly the position of our national administration toward the evacuee problem.

Your observation that "Americans of Japanese ancestry...have shown that they can, and want to, accept our institutions and work loyally with the rest of us, making their own valuable contribution to the national wealth and well being" is entirely correct. For this reason, resettlement is of great importance today.

Toward this end, our organization is determined to assist in every possible way the WRA's resettlement program as a part of our nation's war program. On the other hand, in order to "maintain a high standard of fair, considerate and equal treatment of this minority, as of all other minorities," it will be necessary to take firm steps to break down the discrimination and antagonism which exist against the evacuees in certain quarters because of their national origin. Only thus will the evacuees be able to contribute their share to their country's well being side by side with all other Americans.

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## Tule Lake Rumors Discredited

Rumors that each block in the Tule Lake segregation center will be fenced off is false, declared Hugo Wolter, community management head. It is true, however, the entire camp will be surrounded by a double fence, spotlights, watchtowers, and armed sentries.

The external guard of Tule Lake will be entirely in the hands of the army, but the center and its people will be under WRA administration. The center will have its own departments and sections including its own Internal Security, activities, welfare, education, hospital, etc. The only difference between the internal operation of Tule Lake and

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## 100 Head Dairy Herd For Gila

One third of the milk needs of Rivers will soon be supplied by Gila's own dairy, according to Dave Rogers, farm head. The dairy's former herd of 15 milk cows, recently increased by the purchase of 17 more cows, is expected to grow to a herd of 100 heads within one or two weeks.

Many men will be needed and trained by the dairy to milk the cows.

## 'Aloha' Theme Of CAS Dance

In a Hawaiian atmosphere softly suggesting the theme "Aloha," Butte CAS will sponsor a dance Tuesday, Sept. 28, at mess 45 beginning 8:30 p.m.

A fun formula composed of refreshment, entertainment, and good music, and appealing both teen-agers and young people is promised by Joe Shigezane, director of community events, who will emcee. Leis will be given to the 50 earliest arrivals.

Bids are now being sold at both canteen at 15 cents per couple, strictly couples only, so make your dates now for the "Aloha" dance, boys!

## HIGH SCHOOL CLASS ROOM RENOVATION PLANS GIVEN

Varied plans for complete renovation of the high school classrooms were disclosed yesterday by John C. Doucha, ass't. project director of operations and J. P. McVey, Ca-

## Seasonal Jobs Expected Soon

Definite offers for seasonal jobs working in potato fields and topping sugar beets is expected by the outside employment office within the week. These jobs pay up to ten dollars a day with transportation paid by the company.

Henry Harris, relocation officer in Salt Lake City, phoned Rivers early this week that he was forwarding a 30 day seasonal job offer. Further information will be released by the employment office as soon as the contract is received.

## UNEMPLOYED MAY FILE CLAIMS

Former employees of the camouflage project and community enterprises may file unemployment compensation claims if they wish to do so, announced William H. Huse, employment supervisor.

However, cautioned Huse, speedy action should not be expected because Arizona, like California, may fight the claims on the grounds that center residents are not available for work.

## Blocks To Get Medical Supplies

Ice bags and hot water bags have been distributed to each block by the Canal Red Cross to be used by the residents. Expected during the week are medical supplies to be furnished by the hospital. Also expected are emergency first aid cabinets to be placed in each block manager's offices. The need for these cabinets are urgent due to the curtailment of the hospital personnel.

nal high school principal.

The class rooms which number four to each barrack will be enlarged to make accommodations for larger classes. The "D" rooms will occupy seven beams, while the "A" and "B" will occupy eight, compiling a total of three rooms to a barrack. The respective rooms will be equipped with linoleum, ceilings, closets, and all windows will be shifted to the north end.

The newly constructed science buildings will house biology, physics and chemistry, while the two remaining buildings will be allotted to home economics and shop. Gymnasium, with adjacent showers, will be constructed after the three main buildings are done.

## 27 NOT CRITERIA FOR LOYALTY

All instructions from Washington indicate that Question 27 of the military questionnaire has not been and will not be used as a criteria for loyalty, declared Hugo Wolter, head of community management.

Question 27, as stated, does not consider the Selective Service act nor does it mean that the person would volunteer.

The question is not considered in segregation and leave clearance hearings.

## Co-op Workers

All Co-op employees who are leaving for Tule Lake must call for September pay checks at their respective canteens any time, between the 28th and 30th of this month, stated Daniel Kawahara, paymaster.

## MOVIE

"Wake Island." It's heroic defense is depicted in this picture of the same, starring Brian Donlevy, Robert Preston, and McDonald Carey. Popeye cartoon, and a short on fishing, "Silver Million," will also be shown. Friday-Canal, Saturday-Butte.

## JOB OFFERS

### BOOKKEEPER—Omaha, Nebraska.

opening in large Omaha garage for male or female bookkeeper with experience. Start at \$140.

### DOMESTIC—Peoria, Illinois.

girl for general housework for two elderly women. Every evening off after an early dinner -, as well as several afternoons and week-ends. \$17.50 to \$20 a week, plus private room and board. Chance for salary increase as girl becomes acquainted with work.

### DOMESTIC—Indianapolis, Indiana.

One couple with child. To take complete charge of house, including house-cleaning and cooking. No yard work on 4 acre ground, and no laundry. \$200 per month including board, 2 rooms and bathroom.

### FARMER—Sawyer, Michigan.

One man to do farm chores, pick fruits, repair fences and other light farm work. Ability to use farm machinery preferred, not essential. In winter the chores consists of milking and repair of machinery. \$60 per month with room and board.

### BAKER LEARNERS—Cleveland.

Opportunity for non-experienced who are anxious to work, to earn 70¢ an hour. Opening available as mixer, oven man and custodian. 80¢ per hour after ability shown. 40 hours per week with time and a half for over time. Work week is generally from 48 to 56 hours.

### SEAMSTRESS—Milwaukee, Wis.—

consin. Ten openings for seamstresses doing simple operations, such as sewing on buttons. No experience necessary. 45¢ per hour, time and half for over 40 hours per week. After 30 days training period, work done on piece work basis averaging 60 to 70¢ per hour or about \$25 per week.

### FARM HAND—Ann Arbor, Mich—

igan. Opening for one all-around farm hand, well experienced in live (More on Page 5)

## Dog Inoculation Ends Tomorrow

Last anti-rabies inoculation for dogs will be given by the sanitary corps of the health division tomorrow morning from 8-10 at the Butte police station (block 64) and from 10 to 12 noon at the Canal station (block 16).

Residents should be reminded that all dogs not inoculated will be picked up or exterminated, said Chief Fred Graves. He also added that regardless of whether or not dog is licensed and inoculated, it is subject to control by the police department if it becomes a public nuisance or affects the health or safety of the community.

## URGENT NEED FOR NURSES' AIDES

Many more nurses' aides are urgently needed in the hospital if the patients are to receive the care they need, said Chief Nurse Augusta Peters.

Replacements must be made immediately as 20 nurses' aides have resigned this month to relocate.

Despite the efforts of the hospital, patients will suffer unless more women between the ages of 18-45 answer the call.

## PHYSICAL EXAMS FOR STUDENTS

The health section started the physical examination of all Butte high school students yesterday.

Dr. Kunisada Kiyasu, heading a group of four, is conducting the examinations, to continue on successive Wednesdays on the school grounds.

## TEACHERS FETED

With 100 members of Canal Women's Club attending, Mrs. Kagawa, Miss Nakagawa and Mrs. Nakamura, who are leaving for Tule Lake, were feted at a party Sunday night.

New instructors replacing the three are Mrs. Oda, Mrs. Tsugawa and Mrs. Saiki. They will instruct in knitting, crocheting, and tatting. All those

## FEATURE EEK III --- BUT IT WASN'T A MOUSE

With an unrestrained shriek and several swiftly paced jumps, two girls rushed to the only exit of the statistics office yesterday. Reason: a horribly terrifying 6-inch scorpion, uncovered during a cleaning spree.

Now that crickets are monopolizing the dark corners and the like, the switch of insect personalities in a similar location proved unwelcome. Anyone desiring to see this poise up-setter will find it in a glass jar at 69-7, in a slightly imperfect condition due to a flattened head.

## SEGREGATION

Segregants families need not worry about possible separation of members in cases where one member must remain behind for health reasons, said Hugo Wolter. If these members have been included in the family list as prepared by the Welfare section, their names will be submitted as part of the family to Tule Lake, and apartments will be allocated accordingly.

## CANAL

## NEW TEACHERS

Arriving from Tempe to teach in Canal Elementary School, Mrs. Phelps White replaces Mrs. Caroline Higgins, who has resigned. She will instruct in music.

Miss Kaye Schaefer from Tuscon will take charge of the 5th grade, replacing Dorothy Kaneshige, who relocated to Ohio.

interested in learning tatting and other crafts are asked to attend the club activities at rec. halls 24 and 9.

Mrs. Machiko Ikeda, supervisor of the Women's Club, has submitted resignation due to relocation in the near future. Her successor is Mrs. Tomoyo Kodama.

## BUTTE SQUAD TO BEGIN PRACTICE

The following Major Leaguers who are to play against the Thunderbirds Sunday have been requested to report for practice beginning from tonight.

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General admission to Butte games will be 10 cents and 25 cents for children and adults.

Reserved seats for sections A, B, D and E will be available for the same 25 cents from Ken Zenimura 28-13-C, announced Ground Manager Harry Komatsu yesterday.

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## Shelby Circuit Enters Stretches

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.--The camp's strong Non-Divisional League entered its final stretches last week as the first-half-winning Infantry Regiment nine and Field Artillery squad were battling it out for the circuit's second half championship.

The Infantry Regiment team paced by hurlers Jimmy Miyamoto and Lefty Higuchi were seeking to clinch the championship with the second half title also.

## Nisei Gridders On U. of Utah Team

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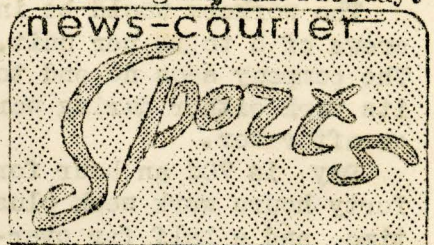
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