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FLASH!

READ THE PRESS! REPLATE...

Walerga's first baby arrived Monday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Soishi Nakayama, Blk. 4 Barrack 21-B, 7 lbs 2 oz. baby was named Kenneth much to the disappointment of Dr. George Iki who wanted to name him "Walerga".

Kenneth's parents are natives of Isleton and the father is, at present with the U. S. armed forces. Mother was rushed to the county hospital where the baby was delivered.

Both the baby and the mother are reported to be doing nicely.

COUNTY TO  
BE CLEARED  
BY SATURDAY

CENTER MAY  
RECEIVE EVACUEE

The entire Japanese population remaining in the Sacramento county has registered for evacuation during Sunday and Monday and in all probability a small portion of it will be inducted into the Center.

Lloyd Lane, supervisor of personnel, had no order to his knowledge as to how many evacuees or from where they will be removed to.

The new exclusion order included Walnut Grove, Elk Gove, Perkins and Florin; and all families affected will be transported beginning Wednesday, May 27, and expected to be completed on Saturday.

The number to be evacuated from the county will total 8815 from Sacramento and 950 from Isleton area.

CLASSES TO BEGIN THURS.

Recreational and educational program under Fern Ambrose, recreation leader, is expected to get under way on Thursday, May 28, 9 a. m. in the library building. The total registration on Monday, May 24, was 511, according to May Sato, registrar. "The purpose of this program is to help students keep up their studies in their unoccupied time and to develop new and varied interest with a well-rounded program," Miss Sato said.

The school is divided into recreational and educational divisions. The Junior Group takes in the sixth to eighth graders while the Senior Group will accommodate the high school group from the ninth grade up.

Morning hours will be devoted to academic subjects of the students' choices and the afternoon hours will be taken up with a variety of recreational interests. The Junior Group courses include arithmetic, English, music, and orientation. The upper division basic courses consist, in addition, of general science, Spanish, shorthand and book-keeping.

Afternoon recreational program is expected to have signups in the following interest groups: model airplanes, victory gardens, handwork for girls, Boy Scouts, music, art and athletics. An addition of a course in Journalism to the ongoing list was made for the Senior Group.

CANNIBALISM

When dog bites man, it's common; but when man bites man, it's news.

Just recently, Jack Oshita, the boilerman, was nursing an injury sustained in the line of duty. It happened that he found an unidentified principal, a Kibei presumably, who was tinkering with the boiler.

Oshita strongly advised the man to get out. Latter refused to comply and was thrown out feet first.

The Kibei plunged ferociously back at Oshita and sank his incisors into the boilerman's knee. The assailant was duly subdued.

"It was awful," declared Oshita.

NOTICE

Although it has been the policy of the Walerga Wasp to translate all important bulletins into Japanese in order to facilitate cooperation among the Center resident it will be necessary to eliminate all materials in the Japanese language. Official Army orders to this effect was received by our Administrative staff on Monday, May 25, 1942

## SECOND SONGFEST THURS. and FRIDAY

Group singing activities will resume Thursday night when a community singing program will be held at Warehouse #22 starting at 8 P. M. This first night will be set aside for young people under sixteen while the following evening, Friday, will be for the older folks. Paul Takahashi, social activity leader, warns that unless cooperation is extended at these two attempts, further group singing will have to be set aside until a suitable Public Address system is installed.

### FIRE PRECAUTION

For fire precaution, J. L. Cooley, chief of fire dept., asked the residents of the center to locate their nearest telephone in their respective mess halls. Immediate contact with the fire dept. may be made through the post office.

### WANT TO WORK?

Is that bundle of muscle fibers in your arms getting flabby? Is your wife getting tired of you just loafing around, feeding coins in poker session or dice? Information dept. has calls for 50 stalwart men to do invigorating outdoor labor around the camp grounds. Sign up immediately and avail yourselves of the opportunity. Also men with carpentry experiences are in great demand.

### OUT OF THE NIGHT

Stealthily creeping into the ladies' shower room in Block 4, an unknown thief made a swag of \$250. cash placed in a money belt of a lady who was taking a shower unaware of the theft. At the time of the incident, it was reported that three girls also were taking shower.

### KENYON RETURNS

After having been ill over a short period in the Center hospital, Gene Kenyon, manager of the Center is now up and about busily tending to his many tasks.

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## GRIPE BOX ACHIEVES FAME

### REVEREND FORD

"Live creatively here or in the city", Rev. Wesley F. Ford of the Freeport Blvd. Christian church told the congregation meeting in the Social Hall, last Sunday, May 24. Rev. Ford was introduced by Rev. S. Tanabe.

"Out of hardship comes glory and beauty. In such hours as this, ask, is there any word from God? God is good."

Shigeru Okada led the hymn singing and Mrs. Kay Jinbo was at the piano.

All those interested in choir singing may sign up at the initial meeting in Warehouse #25, 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, May 26. The practices will be held every Tuesday and Friday. Helen Mayeda and Dave Okada are co-chairman.

First Catholic and Buddhist meeting were held in the Induction building last Sunday, May 24.

### VISITORS

Visiting days and hours were announced as Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, from 2 to 4 P.M. It is suggested that a great deal of confusion will be eliminated if visitors will notify the persons in the center of the hour of their intended visit so that the persons can be near the administration building at that time.

### EMPTY BOTTLES

"If empty soda bottles are not returned to the stores, sales of soft drink will soon have to be discontinued," warned George Rodgers, supervisor of the Center canteen. "Bottles strewn about the ground is hard on automobile tires", said Rodgers, "and they are hazardous to children and workmen who might trip over them". Also, it was announced that the canteen will not be open on Sunday.

**HELP!** Although our subscription drive last week netted us the undreamed of total of 875 there are still some 100 unsigned apartments. Those desiring copies please inquire at the information desk near the Post Office.

Walerga Wasp's "Letters to the Gripe Box" has won recognition as the editorial staff drools over the newly won fame.

Sunday's Sacramento Union devoted the entire upper left hand corner of the second page to the infamous column with the headline.

"Walerga Wasp Editor Moans as Readers Seek Advice on Love and Sundry Problems".

The article began, "Like most newspaper editors Jobo Nakamura of the Walerga Wasp, weekly journal of Sacramento's assembly center, is no exception when it comes to being on the receiving end of lots of unexpected queries, and many complaints."

"One section of the Wasp is devoted to 'Letters to the Gripe Box', comparable in some respects to 'letters to the editor' column in the ordinary newspaper."

### OUR POLICE

Dan Cupid has nothing on our dependable Center night patrol-men. A few nights ago, two young lady were intercepted walking in the dark and the elder of the two, with tears in her eyes carried a large bundle of clothings.

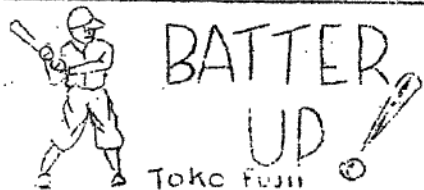
Upon questioning, it seem that one of the girls was going home to mother after a violent misunderstanding with her husband.

Flowing with milk of kindness, the police man attempted in vain to reconcile the couple.

### BRIDGE PARTY

A quiet bridge party was held Friday night in the bachelor's clubhouse, Bl. 2 Barrack 15-B honoring Harvey Itano, the recipient of University Medalist award at the U.C. graduation. In attendance were: Florence Abe, Lilian Abe, Pauline Miyagawa, Mabel Sugiyama, Arlene Kitazumi, Henry Omachi, and Beans Suzuki.

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ORCHIDS to the superactive recreational staff. Under the energetic and efficient leadership of Ford Ambrose, our camp recreational facilities soon will be operating under full steam. Already on the requisition list are five baseball diamonds, complete with backstops. Going at top speed are the four ping pong tables and the three or four sets of horse shoes.

THE LATEST giant undertaking by Ambrose & Co. is the "Walerga Bowl," a huge amphitheater to be styled in the fashion of the world famous Hollywood Bowl. Tentatively included in the newly laid plans are an outdoor stage, a public address system and a seating capacity of close to fifteen hundred persons. More power to the "REC" people.

BASEBALL TALENT here in Walerga seems to be limited to the 13 to 23 class of male. There are more than ten squads signed up in the aforementioned division while only a few, counting the mess hall and warehouse teams, are recorded in the 24 and up class. Cavorting for the Violets, the classy Block 3 outfit, are many oldtimers, including Sloppy Oshita, Jimmy Kozuma, Yongi Ishikawa, Tom Uchida and many others. There must be dozens of former diamond dusters from the hey-day of the Nippons and Wakabas and more recently the Mikadoes, who can still swing a mean bat. Come on, Kintaro Takeda, how about rounding up some of your former stars into a championship team?

TABLE TENNIS is one sport in which the gals do not have to take a back seat. If yours truly's word is not good enough, visit the recreation hall some afternoon and watch the fair sex bang the little white celluloid pellet past the helpless menfolk.

# SPORTS

## MIKA'S WIN 6-4

### MESS 3, KANAKAS VICTORS

Signups for the Walerga Ping Pong Championships to be held during the next week, will be continued throughout the rest of the current week, it was announced by Saki Hayashi of the indoor sports dept. Divisions were disclosed as Boys Girls and Mixed Doubles. Additions of several new ping pong tables were expected before the tummy.

## WOMEN ONLY

Under the appropriate title of "Waggin' Stitches," Walerga's sewing club will meet daily at 2 PM at the Oak Grove. The group will be under the tutelage of Miss Yuri Date. Interested girls and women are asked to drop in at the Oak Grove.

Our Bridge and Gin Rummy club will meet on Thursday evenings at the Recreation Hall starting at 7 p.m.

## ATTENTION

Beginners' dancing classes will be held tonight, Wednesday, at the reception hall near the administration building. Held under the auspices of the recreation dept. the session is to be held for the benefit of beginners only. All inexperienced dancing enthusiasts are urged to show up, as further classes will depend upon the interest shown by the boys and girls.

Behind the airtight pitching of Mas Menda, the Mikado Boys' Club nosed out the Dogpatchers last Saturday night by a 6-4 count. With the score tied at 4 all going into the ninth inning, the Miks scored their winning tallies when, with men on second and third, George Miyake hit a clean single into the right field. Saki Irokawa, erstwhile Mikado star, led the batting parade with three safeties. The batteries:

Miks--Mas Menda; Geo. Miyake

Dogpatchers--Hiroshi Katsumata and Gus Hikawa

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The Mess 3 gang took the measure of the Rusty Stars in a free hitting game by an 18-17 score. Contributing to the afternoons array of extra base hits were Bill Matsumoto, Nitta Frank Nakaoki and Joe Imai with homers. The Batteries Mess 3--Kawaguchi, Nakahira and Sasaki

Stars--Nakaoki brothers and Matsumoto

The Hawaiian Kanakas took the measure of the Cellars easily last week to the tune of 27-3. The first stanza saw the victors bang out four runs to the Cellars' three, but their 8th and 9th inning hitting spree proved too much. The Batt:Kanakas--Takei & Inaba Cell.--Kitchara & Hosokawa

## SOFTBALL SIGNUPS

### JUNIORS

1. Rappa-Tappa-Gong
2. Termites
3. Gaois
4. All-Shots

### INDUSTRIAL

1. Mess #1
2. Violets
3. Bums
4. Pensioners
5. Warehouse 6
6. Block 2 Has-beens

### SENIORS

1. Ubangis
2. Cellars
3. Satans
4. Kanakas
5. S-M-B's
6. River Rats
7. Ducks
8. Double Shufflers
9. Spanglers
10. #3 Messors
11. Dog Patchers

## FROM WOMAN'S EYES

by Frances Okamoto

To some of us, the world seems up-ended for the moment, remembering a way of living that was yesterday--looking forward to a new vista which is before us. The answer to many of our problems might puzzle even the experts, like finding a heavily laden boat in a storm. But thru coordination we can make it rowing much easier.

As we shook our skirts free from dust the other day and looked upon the country side--dotted with barracks, criss-crossed with roads and jammed with evacuees--our minds reached out, searching for reasons and for something that was not present.

Yet the realization of our earnest effort to cooperate and to serve, and the kind treatment accorded us here softens the pangs of the atmosphere of camp life--so now to many of us here.

One thing we're sure of getting here is plenty of sunshine vitamin. And then, on the other hand, we hope some woman with a working brain would give us a good solution to keep our complexion from getting too dark. That reminds us--we hear that the beauty salon will be open soon to the public.

BUY WAR STAMPS

## NEWSPAPER WITHOUT A HOME

As the fifth issue of The Wasp rolls off the press, we dumbly stare at our ink smeared hands wondering if it's all worth the sacrifice.

We have now survived three straight weeks of it. Three weeks of lost sleep, dashing about the ground looking for spot news and being a general nuisance to all, and then dashing to the mimeograph to meet the deadline.

Our embryo sheet "The Press" originated in the musty corner of Warehouse No. 19 using empty crates for desks but was forced to move when the post office was erected there.

Swallowing our pride, we throw our typewriters on the store's counter and worked amidst the rear of curious onlookers and kibitzers. For obvious reasons, "The Newspaper without a Home" moved in with the Nakamuras much to the latter's reluctance.

Results were ink-stained bed sheets, mutilated suit cases, floor dirtied with cigarette butts and ashes, and a nervous breakdown.

However, we are dogged in the determination of serving in the best interest of the Center by producing a paper which will serve as a medium of accurate information and a channel for self-expression.

Only when this realization is brought close to us, we are firmly convinced that it's all worth the while.

- The Editor

## LETTERS TO THE GRIPE BOX

Dear Editor:

I'm not griping for myself but I'm griping for hundreds of teen aged youngsters who at their age eat more than the older folks. Four or five greedy persons will clean up a dish of salad or dessert and leave the rest with an empty dish of peaches or whatever it happens to be. "A Teen-Aged Boy"

Dear Editor:

I am a very good friend of most of the Japanese boys of Sacramento, and I think you have a very good paper. It's very well arranged.

I want to subscribe to your paper and keep up with Walerga news.

Well, I guess that's all I can say, because I have to answer a few letters from Japanese friends in your camp.

Kenneth Fong  
1316 1/2 5th St.  
Sacramento

Dear Editor:

People are using the wash-room for laundry and needlessly using hot water.

Their cooperation in keeping the shower rooms clean will be greatly appreciated.

S. Aoyagi,  
Boilerman

Dear Editor:

Here's a hot one. A tot was heard to say, "Ma, I'm tired of living in Japan. Let's move to America."

And it happened here!  
"Amused"

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