

# ARMY REGISTRATION BEGINS FRIDAY

## WAR DEPARTMENT'S MESSAGE READ

### LT. EUGENE BOGARD ADDRESSES GROUP AT TOWN HALL MEETING

Conveying a message from the War Department, Lieutenant Eugene D. Bogard addressed the group of Army and Manzanar officials at Town Hall last Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, following announcement of Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson's plans to admit nisei into the U. S. Army.

The War Department message was: "We are here on a mission which will be made plain to you within the next few minutes. Some questionnaires are to be distributed among you and what is said here is by way of explaining what use the government intends to make of them.

"Our mission is not an experiment but marks the radical extension and broadening of a policy which has always intended that ways should be found to return you to a normal way of life.

"Presentations such as this one are being made simultaneously at all of the Relocation Centers over the United States. All citizens in this country who are of Japanese blood are being told the same things.

NOT A CAMPAIGN OR DRIVE  
"The effort is not a campaign or a drive but is an attempt to find a workable solution for the acute wartime problem of one portion of our population. Its fundamental purpose is to put your situation on a plane which is consistent with the dignity of American citizenship.

"What is done is being done with the authority of the government of the United States and with the approval of the War Department. But whether it is to be successful will depend finally upon the voluntary acts of free  
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### Lt. Eugene Bogard Veteran of Two Wars

Heading the all important job of the registration program, First Lieut. Eugene D. Bogard is a veteran of two wars, having participated in the Mexican Border Service and serving in the first World War. Before volunteering for service in this present conflict, he was connected with the Los Angeles Auto Club and the Grain Exchange in Kansas. He is a team captain representing the War Department in this registration program.

Accompanying him on this trip are Sergeants James A. Hemp-hill, and Irving V. Tierman and Technician 4th grade, Kenneth M. Uni, formerly with the 100th Battalion of the U. S. Army.

Assisting the Army representatives are Acting Assistant Project Director Bob Brown; Registration Coordinator Robert Throckmorton who is project attorney and Mrs. Lucy Adams, acting chief of Community Welfare. Supervisor of Registration for all persons 17 years and over.

**NISEI WILL NOT FIGHT JAPANESE**  
With the introduction of the question "Where would the nisei soldiers be sent?" Lieut. Eugene D. Bogard replied that "Anywhere a combat unit of American soldiers would go, except to fight against the Japanese."—Town Hall Feb. 8.

## OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE DIRECT FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.

To restore the full birthright of the nisei, to help all those who have a stake in future America, the registration program under the new policy enabling a greater participation in the war effort set by the War Department in the recent ruling, was set in full motion Monday with the arrival here of Army representatives direct from Washington, D.C.

Meeting with Acting Assistant Project Director Robert L. Brown, Project Attorney Robert Throckmorton, Relocation Officer Walter Heath and Army representatives, the Block Managers' Assembly unanimously favored cooperation in the registration program Monday afternoon at Town Hall.

That this action by the War Department was not an experiment but another phase of a plan to restore the nisei to full rights as citizens and to streamline leave clearance for those who wish to resettle was emphasized by Lieutenant Eugene D. Bogard, heading the team of representatives, who addressed the group.

Throckmorton who returned from the conference in the nation's capital gave an account of the meeting and voiced the opinion that this was the first step to the solution of the evacuation problem. He also stated that this act by the War Department would improve public feeling on the outside. Although a guarantee of a defense job is not given, an evacuee would receive a certificate of recommendation from the War Department and all persons wishing to resettle, may ask for this recommendation. All who believe they have a stake in America should think of the future, he said, although no one would be forced to relocate. He credited Dillon Myer for his untiring efforts to restore to the nisei their full citizen rights.

In describing the all-nisei combat unit to be formed, the Lieut.  
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## FDR ENDORSES ACTION OF WAR DEPARTMENT

Endorsing the Army induction and employment program, President Franklin D. Roosevelt sent a letter to the Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson. The content is printed below.—Editor.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
February 1, 1943

My Dear Mr. Secretary:  
The proposal of the War Department to organize a combat team consisting of loyal American citizens of Japanese descent has my full approval. The new combat team will add to the nearly five thousand loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry who are already serving in the armed forces of our country.

This is a natural and logical step toward the reinstatement of the Selective Service procedures which were temporarily disrupted by the evacuation from the West Coast.

No loyal citizen of the United States should be denied the democratic right to exercise the responsibilities of his citizenship, regardless of his ancestry. The principle on which this country was founded and by which it has always been governed is that Americanism is a matter of the mind and heart; Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry. A good American is one who is loyal to this country and to our creed of liberty and democracy. Every loyal American citizen should be given the opportunity to serve this country wherever his skills will make the greatest contribution—whether it be in the ranks of the armed forces, war production, agriculture, government service, or other work essential to the war effort.

I am glad to observe that the War Department, the Navy Department, the War Manpower Commission, the Department of Justice, and the War Relocation Authority are collaborating in a program which will assure the opportunity for all loyal Americans, including Americans of Japanese ancestry, to serve their country at a time when the fullest and wisest use of our manpower is all-important to the war effort.

Very sincerely yours,  
Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Honorable,  
The Secretary of War,  
Washington, D.C.

## REPORTS OFFICER VISITS MANZANAR

Amiable Allen Markley, Reports Officer, accompanied M. M. Tozier, assistant chief of the WRA public relations department in a tour through Manzanar last Friday.

Markley, a former newspaper man who spent his childhood in  
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## ARMY ANSWERS MANY QUESTIONS

1. Where will we fight?  
A. You will be employed wherever your government and the Army of the United States thinks you should be sent. No other promise than that can be given to an American soldier. However, it is not the intention to use you against the Japanese.

2. Is the formation of a Japanese American combat team a type of segregation?  
A. The organization of your men into a separate combat team is not segregation. It is the means of making the most effective use of your strength for the good of the national war effort and for the ultimate good of all Japanese Americans. There will be other Japanese Americans taken into the Army and they will be assigned in the same way as any other American soldier. The organization of a separate Japanese American combat team has the distinct and very definite advantage and value of bringing the Japanese American question  
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## SEND INTERNEE MAIL TO N. Y.

All letters mailed to internees should be sent to New York for censorship as well as for quicker service before being sent to an internment camp, according to a letter from the Office of Provost Marshal General in Wash.  
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## 'RELOCATION TAKES ANOTHER MEANING TODAY' STATES BROWN

Today the word "relocation" takes on added meaning. The action of the United States Army in creating a combat team of American citizens of Japanese ancestry, is the forerunner of an accelerated relocation program. The War Relocation Authority hopes that this new program will change relocation from its present "retail" phase to a much larger "wholesale" phase, so that all evacuees who so desire may take part in American life and economy.

This is the day—this is the event—to which we who are helping administer the WRA program have looked forward for many weeks and months.

Project Director Ralph P. Merritt, from his bed in the hospital, sends a special word of greeting and good cheer, and rejoices with you that the Army has taken this initial step in recognizing Japanese-Americans, making it possible for them to participate in a like manner with all other Americans in the prosecution of the war.

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## 'MOST IMPORTANT THING SINCE EVACUATION' SAYS ATTORNEY

Speaking at the special meeting of the Army and local representatives was Robert Throckmorton, project attorney, last Monday afternoon at Town Hall. He said, "This program is not just another announcement of policy by the Army or the War Relocation Authority. This program is the most important thing that has happened since evacuation, and it will call upon every adult resident of Manzanar to search his own heart and desire definitely whether he wants to return to Japan or whether he

wants to continue to live in this country.

If he wants to continue to live in this country, this is a real challenge. The Army is going more than half way in calling upon loyal citizens to volunteer for service in the armed forces, in recommending loyal evacuees for war work and in cooperating fully with the War Relocation Authority in relocation, all qualified persons who wish to leave the relocation centers. The future of the Japanese-Americans in this country may well depend on how this challenge is met."

## Special Citizens' Meetings Called

Special meetings for all male citizens, 17 years of age and over, have been scheduled for this week in connection with the registration program. All citizens in the age group are expected to attend these meetings. Excuses will be granted for those attending school or working.

Registration is to begin Thursday.

Meetings scheduled were: Tuesday, Feb. 9, 10 a.m.—Blocks 3, 4, 9 and 10, meeting will be in 10-15. 1 p.m.—Blocks 5, 6, 11 and 12, meeting will be in Mess Hall in Block 2. 3 p.m.—Blocks 25, 26, 30 and 31, meeting in Mess Hall 30.  
Wednesday, Feb. 10: 8 a.m.—Blocks 17, 18, 23 and 24, meet in Mess Hall 18. 10 a.m.—Blocks 13, 14, 19 and 20, meeting in 10-15 (YWA hall). 1 p.m.—Blocks 15, 16, 21 and 22, meeting in Mess Hall 21. 3 p.m.—Blocks 27, 28, 32 and 33, meeting in Mess Hall 32.  
Thursday, Feb. 11: 8 a.m.—Blocks 29, 34, 35 and 36, meet in Mess Hall 36. 10 a.m.—Blocks 1, 2, 7 and 8, meeting in 7-15.

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## WHY REGISTRATION?

This is the real McCoy, this registration of manpower to be undertaken jointly by the War Department and the WRA relocation office. This is the announcement which would have been made months ago—at the time of the evacuation, if it were possible.

In appreciating this action of Secretary Stimson's department, it is necessary to understand something of the way in which the Army thinks and acts in wartime. By the very nature of its function, this service branch of our government is pragmatic. Its immediate problem on the Pacific Coast at the outset of the war was to look after the welfare of the Japanese and their children in the face of war-created antagonism of the Americans toward Japan and the Japanese in general.

**IMMEDIATE NEEDS**  
 The possibility of invasion of the Pacific Coast by the forces of Nippon could not be overlooked. Solution: evacuation of the Japanese people. A year later, the evacuees were housed in relocation centers. Now it is time for the Army almost automatically to consider ways and means of permitting them to resume their normal life in America as Americans.

The very character of our service force directs it to consider problems in the light of immediate needs and the natural course to be followed when the primary objective has been achieved. Hence: step one, evacuation; step two, resettlement. In the eyes of the Army, the personal discomforts and apprehensions we experienced during the past year was similar in kind to the anxiety of all American people. This can be so regarded when we remember that this is the period of "hijoji"—national emergency.

**GREAT EFFORT**

If we will understand this basic concept of the Army's motive and action, we can reconcile ourselves with good grace to the impositions placed upon us since the outbreak of the war, and still find the incentive to re-participate in the current great American effort toward victory.

## New Teachers Swell Faculty

Five new elementary school teachers came in to swell the faculty enrollment recently. The newcomers are Lena Millicent Harrison of Trinity, Ky., and Dixie Bailey of Hindmen, Ky., Martha Shoaf and Eva Backoff from UCLA, and Arline Hooper from Wisconsin.

Miss Harrison is in the student training department. She has had experience as principal of a school in Vanceburg, Ky., supervising 8 elementary grades and also taught the seventh and eighth grades. She did critic work for the students of Lees College.

Miss Bailey, who was a high school teacher for the Knott Board of Education in Kentucky, is now teaching fifth grade in 17-15.

Miss Shoaf is fourth-grade instructor in 20-15; Miss Backoff, second grade instructor in 32-15; and Miss Hooper, third grade instructor in 3-15.

## Jobs Open for Able Bodied Men

Receiving unemployment benefits of 60 percent of their former pay are 650 persons, of which 280 have actually been assigned to new jobs now, stated Arthur H. Miller, project employment officer.

Now certified to receive compensation are 238 workers, of which 194 are men, and 44 women. 122 are now in the waiting period between registration and certification.

Jobs for able bodied men are now open, and all interested may apply at the employment office. Persons refusing work will not be eligible for unemployment compensation.

Miller expressed appreciation to all typists and department heads for the use of labor and typewriters for the copying of 7000 individual records (Form 26) in quadruplicate forms on both sides on the special request from Washington in connection with

# Isamu Noguchi Writes in New Republic Fair Treatment Asked for Evacuees

(The following is a summary of an article by Isamu Noguchi, well known American sculptor, which appeared in The New Republic magazine, Feb. 1, 1943. Titled "Trouble Among Japanese Americans," it is an interpretation of the causes of the disturbances at Poston, Ariz., and Manzanar, Calif., and suggests solutions to problems involved in them.)

(Noguchi, whose father is the Japanese poet, Yone Noguchi, and whose mother is an American, voluntarily went to Poston last April to help in developing the area. He recently returned to New York.—Ed. Note.)

**TWO CAUSES**

The recent troubles in the Japanese Relocation Centers, which newspapers attributed to pro-Axis elements, had two chief causes: The sense of frustration among all members of the centers and the attachment between the first and second generation whose severance was seen in the extent of cooperation the second generation members were giving the authorities.

The parents reflected unfavorably on the second generation, in whom only participation in government was permitted by WRA ruling. The opposition colored with the bitterness that they felt toward evacuation was general.

The WRA's step toward solving the problems, fortunately brought to light by the riots, is to speed

up the resettlement and assimilation process in giving jobs outside the military areas to as many loyal evacuees as possible while economic opportunities created by labor shortage exists.

**GROUP RESETTLEMENT**

The parents, skilled farmers whose annual crops in California were more than \$100,000,000, could be included in a planned program in groups of perhaps 25 families whereby their much-needed productivity could be utilized without breaking up social ties upon which they depend. The difficulty of individual adjustment to a strange community especially among the parents, aggravated by the sight-unseen proposition of job placement and fear of discrimination, would be greatly alleviated by group resettlement. Group resettlement should be extended to the American-born where job placement in factories make it feasible. Subsequent association in American groups should produce rapid assimilation.

Equally beneficial would be the resumption of selective service of American-born Japanese which was discontinued shortly before the evacuation. (By a recent change in policy, citizen evacuees now may volunteer for Army service.—Ed. Note.)

Given public support, perhaps 30,000 of the 110,000 now in the relocation centers can be resettled. The 80,000 remaining, aside from the "pro-Axis" people and those who have applied

for repatriation, will stay in the relocation centers for a period of time.

"Will there be a real attempt to make these areas self-supporting before the people in them become too demoralized?" There seems to be an opportunity for these evacuees to develop a few of the centers into "small-group tenancies" with the use of their own capital, tools and manual skill.

**FOR THOSE REMAINING**

Finally, it is hoped that the WRA will deal with these people as a whole instead of with only the second generation group. As individuals leave for jobs, the stabilizing influence of the parents, 50 percent of whom have been estimated to be at least passively loyal to America, will be beneficial on the remaining group whose age division will become increasingly unbalanced. Gradually, the parents will have an opportunity to serve in various public ways such as in Community Councils, establishing an Inter-Center Relocation Council, adult-education program, etc. Cooperation in community projects will go over depending on the extent the people feel that they are doing work that "will lead to a self-respecting future for them."

As fast as evacuees are returned to normal civilian status, through resettlement and by making the centers as much like the rest of America as possible, will the problems be solved.

## UNOBTRUSIVE KINDNESS OF YOUTH WINS RESPECT OF YOUNG AND OLD

The last bus, destined for the sugar beet work in Montana had left, leaving a lonely lad of 24 without his pals. Of course, being young and full of energy, he wanted to join his fellow friends, but it suddenly occurred to him that he had an important task to fulfill. He distinctly remembered vowing to his father at the time of his death that he would always look after his aged mother.

Ever since his arrival in Manzanar, observant neighbors noticed the care he lavished on his mother, noticed that he did not spend his spare time in playing around as much as the usual youth, noticed that all the housework, the cleaning and washing, and all the small chores around his barrack occupied most of his time outside of working hours. Being interested in learning the field of the business world, he secured a job at the General Store as a shoe salesman. His customers noted his quietness, honesty and sincerity.

He is always there at dinner time to escort his mother to the mess hall, to help her find a seat, to see that she is served. He does not look after himself until he is sure that she is comfortable. And the people notice, too, that with all this, he does not take advantage of his privileges. He takes his place in line with the rest. His lunch and meals are rushed for he is aware that he must return to his work on time.

All little things, but the little things do not escape the critical eyes of his neighbors. His actions toward the elders are respectful and he is favored by them. Yet his conduct in his relations with the younger groups is harmonious

and he is well liked by them also.

So there was no surprise evidenced — except by Kanichi "Bud" Watanabe, himself—when he was signally honored by the kitchen workers, the members of the young people's sports club and the rest of the residents of Block 27 as an outstanding example of fine nisei youth.

The presentations of the gifts made by Block Manager Kurano-nobu Ohono in the crowded mess hall Thursday at dinner time caught Bud totally unprepared so that he could barely murmur his thanks.

He hails from French Camp, California, vicinity of Stockton. He graduated from Stockton high school in summer, 1938, with a high scholastic and athletic standing. He is remembered by

## Garment Factory Filling Orders

To match the production orders from within and without the center of Manzanar, the garment factory, operating with a complete machinery unit, is fast producing the 3,000 hospital aide uniforms that have been ordered from Gila, Ariz., Granada, Colo., Minidoka, Utah, Jerome, Ark., Rohwer, Ark., Heart Mountain, Wyo., and Manzanar. Garments to be sold at the dry goods store are also under production. Repairing and altering service of distributed government clothing is being given here.

The factory is divided into two main units: one for cutting and one for sewing. At present there are 50 operators working the power machines. Twenty-five more are expected to relieve the waiting list of 80. When the present group completes its three-month training course, others will be trained.

## Vital Statistics

**BIRTH**  
 Girl to Mrs. Yoshiko Furuyama of 34-10-1 on Feb. 5.

**DEATH**  
 Mrs. Chiye Amabe, 24, of 32-14-3 died Feb. 4.

**REBATES ARE COMING! SAVE YOUR CO-OP RECEIPTS!**

many for his sportsmanship. After graduation he was employed at the El Dorado Garage in Stockton.

## FUNERAL NOTICE . . .

Funeral services for Shuzaburo Yamamoto, 64, who passed away in the Manzanar hospital with an acute heart attack, are pending until the arrival of his son, James S. Yamamoto, a chick sexor from Omaha, Neb., and former L. A. Oliver.

Surviving Mr. Yamamoto here are his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Ono; and another son, Frank, all residing at 23-63. The deceased is formerly of Los Angeles.

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

TIME—ACTIVITY	PLACE
<b>WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10</b>	
Wells Fargo (1, 2, 8)	Kit. 8
<b>THURSDAY, Feb. 11</b>	
Wells Fargo (9, 3)	Kit. 9
<b>FRIDAY, Feb. 12</b>	
Ninth Grade Party	27-15
7:00 p.m.—Club 8 Dance	Kit. 8
7:00 p.m.—Hi-Y Meeting	Blk. 20 Office
Wells Fargo (10, 4)	Kit. 10
<b>SATURDAY, Feb. 13</b>	
7:30 p.m.—Delta Y. Sweetheart Ball	Kit. 17
7:00 p.m.—Valentine Lei Dance	Kit. 35
7:30 p.m.—Calico Cats Formal	29-15
Wells Fargo (11, 12)	Kit. 11



INFORMATION BUREAU

by

HIROSHI NEENO

**MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED**

The deadline for the acceptance of membership application to the Co-op is extended until tomorrow, Feb. 11. All applications are to be turned in at the Cooperative in the administration building. All persons who have attained their 16th birthday by Sept. 30 of last year are eligible and those who have relocated or deceased may file application for membership through any immediate family member. Application forms are available at 1-6-4, c-o Hiroshi Neeno.

**ELECTION DAY COMING**

To remind the residents of the importance and responsibilities attached to the post of Congress representative of the Cooperative Enterprises, announcement of the election for the delegates Saturday, Feb. 13, was repeated.

Although the by-laws of the Cooperative authorizes voting rights only to members, this was waived for this election to extend voting privileges to all applicants for membership. One delegate for every 50 members is to be chosen.

**PHOTO STUDIO**

Approval for an establishment of a photo studio and a watch repair shop was voted at the Co-op Congress meeting held last week in mess hall 21.

Although under the Army ruling only appointed personnel will be permitted actually to take pictures, all other work connected with the enterprise will be handled by Japanese personnel, it was disclosed. The watch repair service with an approximate expenditure of \$1,000 for the necessary machinery and supplies also was approved.

A telegraphic request from park Abbott, general manager of the Associated Cooperative of Northern California, seeking a local representative to attend a two-day convention at Salt Lake City was rejected. The convention purpose was to discuss the possibility of setting up a cooperative wholesale outside of the Military Area No. 1 and 2 with other relocation center cooperatives, namely Tulelake, Minidoka and Delta.

Approval also was given to send certain necessities requested through the Block Managers' Assembly by the 16 detainees now at Moab, Utah.

**EMPLOYEES HAVE TAGS**

For the convenience of the customers in identifying the workers all Co-op employees were furnished with little round badges this week. This was to allow all personal complaints or criticism to be directed at the right party. However, the management pointed out, praise and compliments for pleasing service will be just as welcome.

**FOUND**

A Montgomery-Ward refund cash order for \$3.45 was found at the Canteen. The check may be claimed at the mail order office, ironing room 10, upon proper invoice identification, said Harry Hotta, manager.

The office hours of both the order and the laundry cleaning services were stated as 9 a.m. to 12 and 1 to 4:30 p.m.

**PRE-SCHOOL PSYCH**

Under preparation are 6 lecture series to be given to the nursery school mothers, called pre-school psychology. The lecture series will end with an educational movie.

**Around the BLOCKS**

Was Dr. Shiomi being diplomatic when he said that Manzanar has less complaints than Minidoka? The Hunt project is supposed to have "least" evacuee troubles of the 10 camps. That authority over all housing problems lies with the Housing Section and not with individual block managers or night checkers was made clear by Edward Chester, head of the housing department.

Residents of Block 24 expressed satisfaction with the oleomargarine that is being served at breakfast. They hope it keeps coming. Rubber stoppers for the laundry tubs are no longer available at the Maintenance Division.

A good reason for not wanting to be a congressman was given by Kenny Goka of Block 13 when he "refused to go to the meeting alone" after the other congressman resigned. Complaints on the "unsanitary condition" of mattresses will be stopped, it is hoped, as the mattresses are completely sterilized before they are given out to other residents.

The irrigation canal project needs willing help of at least 40 unemployed persons, preferably over 25 years. Apply at the Personnel Office.

Why not have more Ralph Merritts and more Bob Browns asks Block 22, commenting on the better understanding prevailing between the administration and the residents. To relieve the suffocating condition in the shower room can an opening be made in the roof so that the steam may escape or is something else being planned by the Maintenance department is the query from Block 24. "Want more people to attend the block meetings? Announce the meeting during mealtime, is the suggestion given by Block 33."

Common complaints about movies still persist mainly concerning the over-crowded situation in the mess halls. The suggestion to have movies shown in the camouflage building is well taken but at present these buildings are in the hands of U. S. Engineer's Department. Until they are transferred to the project, they cannot be used. Furlough workers who wish to go to another center instead of returning to Manzanar can only do so by returning first to this center, and making special arrangements with the project director of the center to which they wish to go. However, the chance of going to another center is very slim, said Bob Brown, Acting Assistant Project Director, since the other project directors have enough troubles of their own.

**Little Known Work Of Block Managers Told by Yasuda**

Little known but an important phase of the work accomplished by the Block Managers in taking care of the various problems continually cropping up in the center was disclosed by Frank Yasuda, executive secretary of the assembly.

To show that the Block Managers have the welfare of the community at heart it was shown that the various committeemen went out of their daily routine jobs on extra work.

Chokichi Nakano, Block 30, and Meitaro Yoshii, Block 31, served to obtain a more adequate lighting for the blocks. Negotiations to get rental fees for the carpenters using their own tools was engineered by Takeji Higashi, Block 4, Dick Shiroiyama, Block 10, and Yutaka Nakamura, Block 5.

Other committees and their work are: Figuring a workable postal delivery system; Dick Izuno, Block 12, Takashi Furuya, B. 35, and Takuchi Sakata, B. 38; donations to injured persons and families of detainees, K. Ohono,

**BOOKS**

**PAST IMPERFECT by Ilka Chase**

Publishers: Doubleday Doran & Co., Inc.

Ilka Chase, stage and radio personality, recounts her life. Unlike most autobiographies, it is not a solemn affair. Through the fortunes of birth she was intimate with that circle of famous people, people noted for talent and charm. Through her own efforts, in conjunction with her career, she became acquainted with that larger circle of common, ordinary people. She tells about them all in a light breezy manner that makes for easy, entertaining reading.

The book makes faces at solemn people and lends grace to those inclined to be clownish. A good book to while away a few hours but not one for a steady diet. (Library 22-15).

**THE COMMANDOS by Elliot Arnold**

Publishers: Duell, Sloan and Pearce

An adventure story dealing with the activities of the Commandos in Norway. The book gives the background of the occupation of Norway by the Nazis and the counter-attacks of the Commandos to help the Norsemans in their resistance against the invaders.

Specifically, the story deals with a mission entrusted to Alan Lowell, an American volunteer in the service, who performs a dangerous and a very necessary murder of a German officer. Interwoven in the adventure is a romance with one dark-haired Norwegian girl who is the center of underground activities. Bedroom scenes, which seem to be a "must" in the majority of contemporary novels, are neither too frequent nor too witty.

It is a good, fast action narrative for adventure story lovers.

**ONLY THE STARS ARE NEUTRAL by Quentin Reynolds**

Publishers: Random House

A vivid account of the war in England, Russia and Africa, as seen through the eyes of one of the foremost war correspondents. Shot through with highly entertaining incidents, mixing amusing adventures with actual grim fighting, the book takes you from the dinner table at Prime Minister Winston Churchill's home in England, through Russian Moscow to Libya's desert. It enables you to meet the greats and the near-greats as well as the common fighting man, in terms that give you an understanding of them.

(All these books are available in abridged form in the March, 1942, issue of OMNIBOOK magazine.)—By J. S.

**Museum Exhibit Opens Today**

Memories and romance of the Indians will be recalled by visitors to the Adult Education Museum exhibit at 8-15 which opens today.

Much evidence of Indian life was found in a recent exploration conducted by Louis Frizzell, Kiyotsugu Tsuchiya, Toyo Miyatake, Kango Takamura, and several helpers. Much of the evidence of Indian abode that was found near Sheppard's creek was covered by sage brush. On another trip, mineral specimens of copper, lead, gold, pyrites and quartz were found.

B. 27, Arai Hasegawa, B. 32, Harry Nakamura, B. 21, Dick Izuno, B. 12, and Takaji Higashi, B. 4; selection of a permanent chairman and executive secretary, Joe Shikami, B. 17, Fred Ogura, B. 1, Koichi Masunaka, B. 18, Dick Izuno, B. 12, Chokichi Nakano, B. 30, and Henry Nakamura, B. 21.

**Boy Scouts Learn Everything**

A Boy Scout can tell north from south by the moss on the trees, or east from west by the shadows.

He can talk to a brother Scout across the river by signaling. He knows the principal trees and birds and animals that he encounters. He knows which are poisonous weeds and reptiles; he can find his way by the stars as did the Indians and the pioneers.

If matches are forgotten, he laughs and proceeds to kindle fire by rubbing sticks together or by striking steel on flint. Countless numbers of other things he can do.

Join the Scouts and learn!

**Manzanar Boy Scouts Commemorate 33rd Birthday of Scout Organization**

The Boy Scouts in Manzanar commemorated the 33rd birthday of the Boy Scout organization in America last week. Scouting in the United States was incorporated on Feb. 8, 1910, under the laws of District of Columbia.

Forty Scouts, members of the three troops in Manzanar, Troop 153, 145 and 726, participated under the leadership of neighborhood commissioner, Joe Nakashima. Each troop held a troop meeting on reaching its destination. Many tests were passed by the Scouts. Accompanying the Scouts were the Cubs from the two Cub Packs. They were led by Commissioner Kenso Kiyohiro.

Paul Uyemura's Boys' club

also accompanied the Scouts.

Scouting and Cubbing are open for all boys in Manzanar, 12 years of age or older. Cubbing is open for all boys between the age of 9 and 12 years.

**Domestic Science Class Taught**

To develop an appreciation of a wholesome life and to understand the responsibilities and skills involved in homemaking are displayed in the domestic science class held each Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. in 7-1-1, with instructor Martha Groth, graduate of U.C.L.A.

**From Other Centers . .**

**TULEAN DISPATCH**

Snow and windstorms swept over the Center during the last week of January and homemade sleds and skis made their appearance over the slopes of "Castlerock." Dark glasses were needed when residents braved the cold for the outdoors, to avoid the glare of the sun as it reflected on the snow.

In case of a storm, the fire siren blowing at five second intervals will announce the closing of

school for the morning and afternoon. The blasts will be heard at 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. as a storm warning signal. This is being made possible through the fire department.

One hundred and twenty persons enrolled in beginners' jiterbugging classes sponsored by the Recreation department. The courses will be completed in six weeks and only those with identification cards are admitted at the present time.

**No Change, Says War Department**

Shortly after the "disorders" which occurred in Manzanar, the War Department was requested by several people to replace the civilian administrative staff by military authority.

According to a news article which appeared in the Bishop, California, newspaper, a letter from John J. McCloy, Assistant Secretary of War, to the city clerk of Bishop stated that the War Department "apparently has no present plans for replacing the civilian administration at Manzanar . . ."

Because the agency now in charge of administration of the relocation centers was appointed by specific executive order, no change in the administration can be effected without the President's orders.

**POSTON CHRONICLE**

Rice, the main staple food of the Japanese, that has been requisitioned for March will amount to 216,000 pounds according to the Chronicle. This is an increase of 16,000 pounds used in January.

Sponsored by the Red Cross, an Accident Prevention week was observed in all three units of Poston. The campaign was conducted with posters and caution signs posted in both English and Japanese.

A carload of Irish potatoes has been arriving weekly from Tulelake to grace the mess halls of the three units.

**HEART MT. SENTINEL**

The city planning board approved a plan to create a civic center with buildings to house the department store, bank, bowling alleys, library and other facilities. Also blue-printed are WRA plans to provide buildings for Catholics and Buddhists.

An editorial in the Sentinel, inviting Senator Reynolds to visit Heart Mt. was picked by the United Press and distributed throughout the country.

Rev. Hiro Higuchi, Honolulu Christian pastor, in a letter to a resident vividly describes the occurrences on Dec. 7, and writes: "You probably read of the alleged fifth column work and sabotage . . . we heard them too, but one after another these stories were discredited, and later it turned

out that there was absolutely no fifth column work or sabotage here on that day or thereafter."

Braving the cold, more than 3500 skaters patronized the 23 crudely-constructed ice rinks. Several instructors are guiding the skaters and injuries have been few with 40 cases being reported by the hospital.

**GRANADA PIONEER**

Because three persons were caught using forged passes to go into Lamar, the police department has curtailed the use of them, with individuals allowed to visit once a month.

Four visitors to the center were AP newsmen to gather material about the residents and administration. They were from the Denver office to investigate conditions and ask opinions of the residents. Paramount News cameramen also were visitors, taking pictures of the center.

**JEROME COMMUNIQUE**

In conjunction with the nationwide celebration of the President's birthday, the Community Service department held a March of Dimes drive. A committee was appointed to organize future Red Cross, Tuberculosis and USO drives.

One-third of the Center residents are enrolled in the schools with 2775 persons out of a population of 8273 on the school list. Total number of teachers is 33, appointed personnel, and 84 evacuee.



**—Army Answers**

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to the attention of the American public and to establish their position as loyal American citizens.

3. What will happen to Japanese Americans already in the military service?

A. Some will be assigned as cadres for the combat team. The others will continue in their present duties or be reassigned as the circumstances warrant.

4. Will our candidates be sent to the regular Officers' Candidate Schools, or will they train separately?

A. They will go in the same way, and be given the same training, as any other candidate.

5. What about the Japanese Americans who are already reserve officers but who have not been called into active service?

A. As they are needed, they will be called, provided they are deemed to be qualified for the work at hand. (It needs to be remembered, however, that there are many reserve officers in all groups which have not been called into active service.)

6. Will all Japanese Americans in the Army be formed into the combat team?

A. No, they will not. The combat team is an exceptional organization. Others may be taken into the Army and will be given assignments on the same basis as other American soldiers.

7. Will the combat team be officered by Americans of Japanese blood throughout?

A. It is contemplated that at first your regimental, battalion and company commanders will not be Japanese Americans because of the lack of men who have had training and experience with the higher commands, but that your other company officers will be Japanese Americans insofar as it is possible to supply those who have had the proper training. As Japanese American officers prove themselves qualified for higher command, they will be advanced in grade.

8. Have Japanese Americans already in the military service been discriminated against?

A. It has certainly never been the policy of the Army of the

United States to countenance discrimination against American soldiers of any race. Where discrimination has occurred, it has been due to ignorance or stupidity on the part of individuals. An Army, in a period of great expansion, cannot take account of all the separate acts of its many individuals. The best corrective is to develop a line of policy which will show the individual what is wanted by his government. That is what is being done in this case. The present course is a direct rebuff to any who have discriminated against the American soldier who happens to be of Japanese blood and will go far toward curbing discrimination against you, both in and out of the Army.

9. How will we be treated by other Americans?

A. Partial answer already has been made to this question. There are many Americans who because of ignorance think of you as a Jap and nothing else. They are aroused against Japan, and they feel hostile toward you simply because you are of Japanese extraction. That is the kind of thing we are working against. No American is in a position to look with contempt or speak slightly of a man who is in the uniform of his country. Therefore, the steps now being taken are the surest way to counter discrimination not only now but after the war. Racial prejudices cannot be removed in a day but they can be reduced by goodwill and intelligent action over a period of time. The best antidote for prejudice against you will be your own conduct and bearing.

10. What will happen to those who volunteer for service but are turned down for physical reasons? Will they be returned to the Relocation Centers?

A. If the loyalty check shows that they have the interest of the United States at heart, they will be given the chance to work in the defense plants. The government cannot promise to find work for you. In some of the plants there is still prejudice against employing Americans of Japanese blood. But skilled workers are needed and the news of the formation of a combat team from among your number will do much to counteract the prejudice already referred to.

11. Besides service with infantry combat forces, can a Japanese American qualify to become an American flier?

A. It is contemplated that if your willing response and loyal action assures the success of the present undertaking, the other forms of military service may be opened to you. For the present we are seeking volunteers for the combat team only.

12. Can I enlist under an assumed name to protect relatives in Japan?

A. If this fear is uppermost in

**Chemistry to Head Dr. Nozaki's Talk**

"Contribution of Chemistry in Peace and War," will be discussed by Dr. Kenzie Nozaki, head of the guayule project here, in the fourth lecture of the Sunday Evening Lecture series, Sunday night, 7 p.m. at 7-15.

Formerly instructor at the University of California Davis Agricultural School, Dr. Nozaki is experimenting with the chemistry of guayule here.

E. H. Hooper, senior administrative officer, who spoke at the third lecture, discussed the problems of a procurement officer of the Office of Emergency Management.

About \$200,000 per month, he said, is spent at Manzanar for all expenses including housing and subsistence. The cost of making a single purchase order, he added, is about five dollars regardless of the amount of the purchase.

your mind, it would be better not to volunteer at all but to wait and take your chance on being inducted later.

13. What will happen to me if I am captured?

A. That question cannot be answered, but it is assumed that since you are an American, you will be treated as any other American prisoner.

14. What will happen to our property?

A. There will be no change as a result of your entry into the military service. The services of the War Relocation Authority will continue to be at your disposal.

15. Why were all the Japanese Americans classified as 4-C?

A. Because no clear-cut policy for utilizing your services in the Army had been adopted.

16. Why were some Japanese Americans discharged?

A. Because no clear-cut policy for utilizing your services in the Army had been adopted.

17. How soon will we be inducted after volunteering?

A. From 30 to 60 days.

18. What provisions will be made for my wife and children?

A. The regular allowances for dependents will be paid them, the same as paid for any other soldier.

19. Will my family be permitted to return to the West Coast?

A. Not for the time being.

20. What happens to my father who is not a citizen of the United States?

A. Like all other persons now in Relocation Centers, he may file an application for leave which will be acted upon by the War Relocation Authority. It is probably fair to say that his chances

**Two Meetings Scheduled**

**Various Phases Of Nisei Problems Covered by Confab**

The White Sierra Conference ended Sunday evening with a fellowship and topic "Youth's Place in Tomorrow's World" at the YWA hall.

The event began Saturday afternoon with an informal discussion led by Fay Allen, UCLA YWCA secretary, who told of the campus life in the university and how the war had affected the life of the students. Betty Vellom, student chairman of the American Japanese Commission, said that she wanted data on factual problems faced by the Japanese Americans in order to start the commission. The desirability of parallel group meetings was stated.

Mrs. Lowell C. Frost, member of the League of American Voters, said that study of other minority group problems would make our problems more understandable. She also expressed willingness to send any material needed for the study.

This program sponsored by the Intercollegiate Association was chairmanned by Frances Kitagawa. Other guests who took part in the discussion were Lois Crozier, associate secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association, and Mrs. Moritz.

Sunday's program for the parents was under the direction of Alice Asaka, general secretary of the YWA. Miss Fay Allen and Miss Baid, retired national secretary of the YWCA of New York, were the main speakers. Mrs. Tatsu Kondo interpreted in Japanese for both speakers.

**—Send Mail**

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**Dr. Allan A. Hunter To Speak at Forum**

"Christian Living in a World of Conflicts" will be Dr. Allan A. Hunter's topic next Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14, at 15-15 from 2 o'clock, at the Young Adults Christian Forum. Special music will be provided by Bill Wakatsuki, baritone.

Well known among Manzanar residents through his active assistance in the evacuation problems of the Japanese, Dr. Hunter is stationed at the Mount Hollywood Community Church of Los Angeles.

A Canadian by birth, Allan Hunter attended high school in Riverside, Occidental college, and Princeton University. He taught for two years in Egypt on the staff of Assiut College, following which he served with the YMCA in the Sinai Desert Campaign. In 1918 he joined the American Red Cross unit in Palestine and later served with the Near East Relief as deputy director of the Syrian Orphanage in Jerusalem.

He also is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary in New York and Teachers' College in Columbia University. In 1925 he and his wife went to the Orient and spent a year in University Centers of Japan and China teaching and developing friendly contacts between the youths of the Orient and U. S. He has made a special study of nisei problems through wide contacts with Japanese people.

Dr. Allan Hunter will be the weekend guest here and will also speak at the Sunday morning worship.

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