THE CITY: OUTSIDE WORK POLICIES DISCUSSED

After a 2-day discussion with the City's Employment Division regarding policies on outside employment newly adopted by the WPA, Davis McEntire, chief of the WPA employment section in San Francisco, left Topeka Tuesday afternoon.

McEntire declared that work opportunities in all fields of endeavor were open throughout the United States to qualified personnel. He added that the demand was especially marked for settlement workers, engineers, draftsmen and all types of office workers.

The aim of the WPA, McEntire said, is to relocate all desirable citizen elements before the end of the war; and he revealed that a thorough investigation is being planned to determine the number of City residents qualified for outside employment.

McEntire explained: "From a register to be set up within the center for all residents interested in private employment will develop a line of inquiry that is expected to take 3 weeks for each person. This thorough study will be the official determination and confirmation of that person's citizenship and loyalty to America."

TOPEKA'S INDIVIDUAL RECORD SURVEY WAS BEGUN TODAY

By 4 groups of interviewers, covering blocks 3, 9, 27 and 28.

Each group was comprised of 15 to 16 issei and nisei interviewers who were provided with questionnaires that touched upon such points as: educational and occupational history, residence within the U.S. and abroad, language spoken, physical conditions.

Esb Ikeda is serving as resident-manager of the survey, with James Nishimura as supervisor of the interviewers. The heads of the 4 groups are Gary Sugimura, Guy Uyama, Kiyotaro Takekoshi and Ichiro Saito.

The office staff includes: Helen Fujita and Hisan Kozayashi, supervisors of coding and verification; Chiyoko Fujita, supervisor of filing.

COAL: As the latest story on the coal situation to be available, there comes an item of interest to everyone in Topeka, Kansas. The following report is the latest from the Kansas City Star:

A convoy of 18 trucks that arrived here last Tuesday night left Topeka today to reach Kansas City. The convoy consists of 80 tons of coal, from the coal mine in southern Illinois, and will travel to Kansas City in sections, each section carrying 40 tons of coal. The convoy will take 3 days to reach its destination.

PERSONNEL: Regarding the personnel who are engaged in the coal mining industry, the following report was received from the Kansas City Star:

The coal mining industry is in a state of emergency due to the shortage of labor. The number of workers on the coal mining fields has decreased significantly due to the lack of labor. The officials are working on the project to recruit new workers to fill the gap. The workers are working long hours to keep up with the demand for coal. The situation is critical, and the government is considering various measures to address the problem. The government is working on the project director for his consideration; and it is possible that Millard County (Continued on Page 3) and our City of Topeka.
By Samuel V. Owen
Chief, Fire Protection Division

Fire prevention this year has a greater meaning to the people of the United States than it may have held in previous years. It has been frequently stated by many authorities that any preventable fire is a direct aid to the enemy of our country.

The President of the United States, in establishing Fire Prevention Week for this year, states, "Any loss of human life, any interference with production, any loss of critical materials hinders and impedes our war effort. Nothing less than the united vigilance and effort of all the people will suffice to break the grip of this menace. Fire hazards everywhere must be detected at once and eliminated. Loss of life and property from blaze and smoke must be reduced in every state of the union. Prevention of all uncontrolled fires must be our goal."

This declaration of the President should guide the activities and efforts of all the people in the city of Topeka. This city is now a war building center. Many factors beyond the control of the residents have a tendency to promote fire hazards. Increased vigilance is necessary to offset these factors. The loss of any building or any personal property in this city by fire may be a tragedy for the person directly concerned. Replacement of these things may be long in coming. Therefore, the Fire Department urges upon all the people the necessity of a true observance of the principles of fire prevention during the week set aside for this occasion, Nov. 1 to 7 inclusive.

At the beginning of our first annual Fire Prevention Week program in the city of Topeka, it is appropriate that the residents be advised of the many things that they may do or not do which are necessary to protect themselves and their homes from fire disaster.

We are at the beginning of winter when icicles and icicles will occur in the expansive use of various kinds of stoves. Careless use of stoves causes many fires.

Please observe the following rules:

1) DO NOT BUILD LOGS FIRES
A small fire if well-laid and controlled will provide comfort for an entire evening.

2) WATCH YOUR FIRE
Remove all furniture, clothing and other material which may burn has been moved from around and from your stove.

3) CONTROL YOUR FIRE
Use your damper and regulate the draft. A properly controlled fire lasts longer, has more even heat and is safer.

4) DISPOSE OF HOT ASHES
Remove hot ashes to a metal container outside your building. Hot ashes in contact with combustible material cause fires.

5) KEPT MINDING ASH FROM STOVE
Kindling wood should be kept a safe distance from your stove. A fire may be started by exposure to the heat if kindling is left scattered around or under the stove.

6) WATCH YOUR ELECTRICITY
Keep fires away caused through the careless use of electricity and electrical appliances.

a) Do not tamper with electric switches or fuses. Report any trouble to your local electrician.
b) Do not use more than one electrical appliance at a time. Be sure things which may burn areas kept away from electric irons, hot plates and other electric heating appliance while in use.
c) Do not hang electric extension cords directly on nails or other metal supports. First tie the cord with a string and then suspend from a nail or hook.

7) USE GASOLINE AND CLEANING FLUID WITH CAUTION
Do not use gasoline and cleaning fluids inside the building or near an open fire. These fluids when evaporated produce dangerously explosive gases. Serious injuries and property damage may result from their careless use.

8) PARK YOUR CARS AND TRUCKS
Cars and trucks should not be parked near to or in between buildings. They may hinder the work of the Fire Department in case of an emergency. All parking should be in designated areas at least 25 feet away from buildings.

9) DO NOT BURN OPEN RUBBISH FIRES
Hot embers may be blown against or under buildings and start a fire. All dry rubbish should be raked up and put in metal containers to be hauled away.
A City-wide memorial service, sponsored by the Community Council as a tribute to the late Pfc. Isao Funaz, who was killed recently at Fort Snelling, Minn., will be held this (Wednesday) afternoon at 2 PM at the civic center (high school area). A 50-foot flagpole and a temporary platform have been erected for the occasion.

The urn containing the ashes of the nisei soldier was brought into the City Tuesday. Guards of honor for the service will be American Legionnaires, military police and nisei soldiers in the City on furlough.

The program will be as follows: reading of the Mass, Rev. Kumata; three eulogies by Community Council Chairman Dr. Carl Hirota, Project Director; Charles S. Ernst and Lieut. Donald K. Heli of the military police; valediction, Rev. Kumata; and lowering of the colors and "Taps".

Observance of a City-wide one-minute silence during the ceremony has been asked.

By Zewlyn Kirinura

The Topaz safety wardens took their first prisoners by violence on Saturday morning, after a strenuous half-hour chase.

The 4 prisoners were taken outside the office of the safety wardens at 111, awaiting further action. Residents, drawn by the commotion of the chase, came to view the culprits.

Interviewed for news of the capture, Inspector George Takeda stated:

"About 9 AM, the presence of 4 stray sheep in the high school area was brought to our attention. Seven of us at once prepared ourselves for pursuit. We armed ourselves with ropes."

"We twirled the ropes with a vengeance and let out many a war whoop, but it took us fully a half-hour to capture our prisoners."

"One of us would concentrate on the actual lassoing of the creature, while the others would drive it toward the waiting safety warden. Supervising the whole noisy round-up was Captain Henry Takaki."

"Finally, 4 of us, Inspector Kohji Yoshida, Verdens S. Antoku and K. Yemamoto, and myself, managed to subdue the sheep."

"We are now holding the sheep, outside the safety wardens office, pending arrival of their owners. We have reported the capture to Walter K. Hall, acting head of the Internal Security Division in the absence of Ralph B. Fridley."
SHAME ON YA!
YOU KIDS SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN TO... BLAH... BLAH...
... ETC... ETC...