URGENT NEED FOR VOLUNTEER COAL WORKERS

Topaz will be assured of sufficient coal reserves for the winter if volunteer workers can be recruited to furnish labor in transporting the large stock of coal into the City from the Delta railroad yards, the Administrative Office stated. The emergency WRA contract with coal interests calls for the shipping of the fuel from Colorado mines to Delta by rail; but as there are no further provisions regarding transportation, it is necessary for the Topazans to haul the coal into the City by trucks, it was added.

A second coal contract made by the WRA for the Central Utah Project has complete provisions for transportation, so after the present difficulties are overcome, coal will be carried into the City through private trucking service.

The following appeal was addressed this week by a member of the Employment Division to the residents: "You have winterized, but how about coal? You can have a big pile of coal. It is waiting in freight cars in Delta. Get 56 men for 2 weeks and your rooms will be warm. Your children and old folks can have a real Christmas and New Year. Let us have no shortage of coal."

"Persons willing to assist, please see Kay Tsukamoto at Rec 30, Frank Fine at the Placement Office or Guy Niyama at Rec 33 and 34."

PLACEMENT OFFICE MOVES

The Placement Department will move to its new office Saturday morning, it was announced today by James M. Jennings, the department head. The new office will be opened on Monday morning. The old office will be maintained through Friday, Jennings added.

The main office will be at Rec 4 and a branch office will be set up at Rec 30 and another office in the southern section of the City. The main office will take care of residents from Blocks 1 to 14; the Rec 30 office serves Block 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, 31, 36, 37, 38, 39; while the other office will take care of Blocks 19, 20, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, 40, 41, and 42.

WRA RELEASES STATEMENT ON MANZANAR RIOT

According to the disturbance at Manzanar on Dec. 5 which resulted in the death of one, the critical wounding of another and the injury of 9 others, the WRA and the War Department issued a joint statement disclosing the details last week.

"Both the War Department and the WRA are of the opinion that this disturbance was caused by a relatively small group of evacuees and that the great majority of residents at Manzanar and other relocation centers are loyal to the United States and completely in favor of orderly processes of government," it was declared.

The statement revealed that demonstrators demanding the release of a certain suspect who was held with 2 other men for assault on a Fred Tayama advanced on the military police who had been summoned in the late afternoon of Dec. 6 to restore order and assume complete control when appeals by the project director for the dispersion of the mob failed.

Upon the failure of the crowd to heed the military police captain's orders to disperse, tear gas was used but this proved to be ineffective because of high wind, a volley was then fired, killing one and injuring 10.

HOLIDAY WORK: Christmas Day will be a full holiday to everyone except those whose work is essential to the community, such as dining hall employees, hospital, etc., Assistant Project Director James F. Hughes announced. In order that compensatory time-off can be given on Dec. 26 for everyone except those on essential jobs, working hours for Dec. 19 will be 8 instead of 4 hours.

Those who must work on those days shall be given compensatory time as soon as convenient, he said.

NEW LOCATION: Topaz Pay Station will be moved tomorrow from the Administration Area to 4-14-2, stated the Fiscal Unit. No pay checks or clothing allowances will be released during the week-end. From Dec. 21, all business will be conducted at the new location.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST: The Seventh Day Adventists will hold three special meetings tonight and tomorrow. Featured speakers will be the Rev. Charles Nagels, secretary of the Utah SDA Conference, and the Rev. B.W. Matts, pastor of El SDA Church.

The assembly at 7:30 tonight will initiate the series. Saturday's meetings will be held at 10:30 AM and 2:30 PM at Rec 14.

CANCELED: The a capella choir of the Protestant Church has canceled its rehearsal for this evening.

FAMILY DANCE: Fred Hoshiba, well known Boy Region social worker, who leaves in a few days for YMCA training school, will be honored at a camp-wide dance sponsored by his friends in Ward 1. The dance will be on Friday night, Dec. 18, at the elementary school building in Rec 6 from 7:30 to 10 PM.

WEATHER REPORT Max. (Wed. night) 51° F. Min. (Thurs. morn) 10° F.