ISSEI MAY NOW BE COUNCILMEN

By an overwhelming majority, residents approved the 2 amendments to the Topaz Constitution making it possible for all residents over 21 regardless of citizenship to hold office in the Community Council, and to have each block elect its own councilman.

As of blocks as yet unreported, a total of over 3000 yes votes were recorded out of the 3167 votes cast.

For the coming general Council election to be held next Tuesday, a new election committee has been selected by the Community Council.

The committee includes Aizo Takahashi, chairman; H. Honnami, vice-chairman; M. Uyeda, K. Nakajima, H. Iyekki, S. Yamato, R. Nagamae, T. Sato, and T. Watamabe.

SEVEN FAMILIES LEAVE FOR CRYSTAL CITY, TEXAS, CAMP

Seven wives of internees and their children left Topaz yesterday noon to join their husbands at the Crystal City, Texas, family internment camp.

Departing residents included Mrs. Fusae Aizawa and her daughter Kashima; Mrs. Funiko Isobe; Mrs. Misae Itakura; Mrs. Chino Koga and her children Satomi, Kuniye, and Shoji; Mrs. Funiko Sato and her children Tsunao, Shigeru, and Reiko; Mrs. Eiko Shioda and her children Shunji, Takako, Sumiko, Makiko; Mrs. Rei Ueyama and her children Tetsumo and Eimi.

According to a communication received by the Welfare Department from B.R. Stauber, national relocation planning officer, this group will be the last to leave for the Crystal City camp for some time, since construction difficulties and unanticipated demands for camp facilities have made it virtually impossible to admit additional families.

Facilities provided at the camp, which is located 120 miles southwest of San Antonio, are reported to be similar to those available at the relocation centers, except that buildings are divided into individual family units or duplex, triplex, or quadruplex types. Each housing unit has a kitchen sink with running water, an oil stove for cooking, and necessary cooking and table utensils. A library has been established and other recreational facilities will be provided soon. Standard grammar and high school courses will be offered to the children.

PUBLIC FAVORS WRA PROGRAM

"In spite of adverse newspaper criticism, there is ample evidence that the majority of the people in the United States approve of the WRA relocation program," Project Director Charles F. Ernst stated upon his return from the display project headquarters conference in Washington, D.C.

"Much remains to be done to develop smooth working arrangements between the relocation offices and the projects, but the trend is in the right direction," he said.

Approximately 12,000 evictions have been relocated either on indefinite or seasonal leases. It is anticipated that 25,000 persons will be relocated by the end of the year."

FARM PLANTINGS DELAY MOVE

Although 12,000 of the 115,000 persons in the relocation centers have already relocated, none of the ten centers will be closed at least until after the harvest season is over, Charles F. Ernst, project director, reported.

In the meantime arrangements to distribute residents who wish to remain in the centers will be made in such a way that manpower can be utilized to the maximum, Ernst stated.

In line with this reasoning, it was recommended that persons who applied for repatriation should be placed in one center from which they may embark to Japan when necessary transportation arrangements are made.

Since many persons are interested in reviewing the answers they gave at the time of the registration, a board of review will be established at the Center with the project director as head.

"Any one may arrange with his director to review answers," Ernst stated, "so residents may proceed on one of 3 courses—relocation, repatriation or remaining in the centers."

GRADE SCHOOLS SET OPEN HOUSE

Open House will be held simultaneously Friday evening at the 2 elementary schools, Mountain View at Block 8 and Desert View at Block 41, from 7:30 o'clock, according to an announcement released by Drayton B. Nustall, principal. Parents and friends are cordially invited to attend.
I have found the people in Chicago surprisingly tolerant toward Japanese. In fact, although we are newcomers, we are treated much better than the Negroes and Jews. I suppose the evacuees here would run into more trouble if they had a Japanese town.

The company I work for—Shatwell Candy—is one of the few in the city which does not hesitate to hire nisei. We have 15 nisei here already, most of them from Benson, Arkansas, and formerly from Fresno. The company is willing to hire more nisei men, but the work is a little too strenuous for nisei girls.

All nisei think about is going to movies, dancing in night clubs, or gathering together and bull sessions. I wish that nisei wouldn’t act as if they were still in the centers. It’s all right to have such affairs once in a while, but not a frenzied desire to have them once or even twice a week.

Pioneers are usually lonely and we are pioneering again. Since we do not live together, we should learn to merge more into the white communities. We should make friends with other racial elements with whom we work and are in constant contact when at home. This way we’ll make the nation aware of our earnest desire to become a part of its life instead of being clannishly Japanese.

Iwao Kawasaki
164 W. Grand Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

FREE AMERICA...

It feels grand to be in "free" America. Not only am I well adjusted at school and find everyone so willing to help me and go out of their way to be friendly, but I find that I have many chances to further the cause of our group among people here.

I have lots of studying to do but I have come to the decision that it is far more worthwhile to let my studies go if necessary to talk to various groups and meet different people. I am being invited to swimming parties, dances, dinners, movies and all kinds of social affairs. Youth groups, forums, church groups, FOR groups, and other societies ask me to talk to them.

My studies suffer but when I realize that there are thousands of fellow nisei still behind barbed wire, do little things like studies matter? These people out here didn’t know that citizens were concentrated and were shocked and deeply surprised. The need for letting people know about our situation is great.

Fred Hoshiyama
Springfield College
Massachusetts

DESER T

To many, Topaz is synonymous with barbed wire fences, hostile dust and wind, abandoned hopes, and plainly-dressed barracks, aligned like grim, implacable soldiers. But to the majority of us, happily, Topaz recalls the spirit and personality of an unconquerable people.

YOUNG IMPRESSIONS

Lincoln Tokumaga’s little girl, Karen, recently returned from Salt Lake City where she is said to have remarked at a restaurant, "Gee, mummy, this restaurant isn’t like the one we have in Topaz!"

WHY PEOPLE GRAY EARLY

Rhoda Nishimura asked her little brother, Joseph, the other day as he lay ill in bed, "Did you hear about the moron sleepwalker who took his bicycle to bed with him so he wouldn’t have to walk in his sleep?" And Joseph answered brightly, "No, tell me about him."

LITERARY FARE

From hearing about the sales of magazines here, you’d think the young people were on a comic book diet. Oh well, perhaps these same comic book fantasies can be expanded into an understanding of scientific realities.

MELONS IN TOPAZ?

Mrs. George Bunya, 12-5-E, spent the entire day Sunday hovering over her dozen 3" high melon plants, and mentally encouraging them. Wouldn’t it be wonderful though, if her sideline cheering bore fruit?

BUNDLES FOR BABIES

Miss Mary McMillan’s Sunday School class, after wrapping bundles of baby garments sent in by her friends, distributed them among the mothers with recent babies. Such a nice gesture...

Harumi Kawasaki
RELATION OF FAMILIES AIDED

In conjunction with the relocation office in Rec 4, the family relocation service has been added to the Community Welfare section, according to George Lafa-bregue.

This new division located at Rec 23 will aid members of families to secure employment and housing in the same locale. This service is also given to members of families who wish employment in the same location in which another family member is already working.

CLOTHING PRICES

The following revised schedule of prices for surplus clothing stocked in the Project Warehouse will become effective today.

| New Used Breeches | $2.95 | $3.50 |
| wool, O.D. MACKINAWS | 5.95 | 3.00 |
| wool, blue melton MACKINAW | 5.00 | 2.50 |
| wool, O.D. Caps, winter | 1.25 | .75 |
| tobagan LEGGINGS | .35 | .10 |
| SPIRAL, O.D. LEGGINGS | 1.50 | .95 |
| LEATHER MITTENS | .50 | .25 |
| CHOPPER RAINDOETS | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| HICKORY SHIRTS | -- | .50 |
| DENIM TROUSERS, blue | 1.35 | .50 |

WAGE ADJUSTMENTS MADE

Wage adjustments for the entire Utah canning industry have been made by the regional War Labor Board in Denver. The board selected a base rate of $1.10 as a proper 1946 agricultural rate for the purpose of adjusting wage rates to be paid by Utah canneries to male common laborers.

None of the wage increases requested can be put into effect until finally approved by the Economic Stabilization Director. Since the companies requested an increase in price ceilings to meet the increase in wages, the increase was granted.

Evaues who have been writing to the Chicago WRA office for information are discouraged by Elmer Shirell of the Chicago WRA office from sending in more requests of this type.

WRA OFFICE BUSY

According to Shirell, the WRA office is currently so busy in its program of aiding resettlement in the Chicago area that it has little time to answer individual letters for information.

CONCILIATION INFORMATION

It is hoped on compiling information on all the major cities in its area, including name and location, temperature and rainfall, type of agriculture, cost of living, rural industries, hospitals and clinics, educational and cultural activities and community facilities, which will make it available to all the projects.

COMMUNITY ATTITUDE

"With reference to community attitude," Shirell stated, "the evacuees should understand that when a job offer is submitted, we have already determined that the attitude is favorable."
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CONCENTRATES ON FUND RAISING; PLANS BENEFITS

To expedite its enterprise of raising sufficient funds to send worthy Topaz high school senior students to college, the Student Aid Scholarship Committee is concentrating on a tentative schedule of benefit activities, it was announced today.

This week, through an agreement made with the movie division of the Co-op, the seniors are sponsoring the film, "Suez," at the various dining halls. The proceeds will be turned over to the fund. Moreover, the seniors are expected to hold an auction of rustic furniture made by the industrial arts department, present one-act plays, and communicate with relocated students and their former schools in California for financial assistance.

Arranged for City-wide participation is the community carnival projected for the July 4th week end. To be established on a block level, the event is expected to include block concessions, pot, baby and hobby shows, raffle, food booths, handcraft sale and a queen contest.

FLOWER CLASSES SPONSOR EXHIBIT

In conjunction with the graduation exercises scheduled for Saturday afternoon at DH 20 from 2 o'clock, the flower arrangement classes will sponsor a 2-day exhibit of their work, it was learned from the Adult Education department.

To open Saturday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock, the exhibit will be held from 10 AM to 10 PM at Rec 20.

Instructors are Mrs. T. Mizuta and S. Kasai.

School Plans Too

In honor of the faculty, students and friends, the Topaz sewing school will sponsor a tea Friday night from 7:30 o'clock at Red 35, according to Mrs. S. Fujita, supervisor.

Featured on the program will be a fashion display.

S.O.A. TO HOLD OUTDOOR RITES

Officiated by the Rev. Howard Hicks, president of the Nevada-High Conference of Adventist churches, the Topaz Seventh Day Adventist Church will conduct baptismal services and an outdoor Sabbath worship at the Gunnison Reservoir Dam near Delta Saturday.

Miss Janet Niishiki, Mrs. Yukiko Mayeda, Mrs. Katsuo Sayegusa and Mrs. Tomio Nakahiro are the baptismal candidates, according to George Aso, church leader.

BROWNIE PLAYDAY SLATED AT PLAZA

The Brownie troop organization, composed of girls between the ages of 7 to 10, will hold a playday at the high school plaza Friday from 7 PM, it was announced by the OAS.

The program will feature flag ceremonies and activities such as circle dances, relay and games.

Mary Kato, recreation leader at Rec 20, will be general chairman. Assisting her on the various committees will be Mesames James Lam and Bob Iki, Misses Lily Tamaki, Helen Fukui, Toshi Miyachi, Nisiko Haramaki and Frances Mizuno.

M.V.S. TO PRESENT MOTION PICTURES

Under the auspices of the Missionary Volunteer Society, a motion picture, "San Francisco World's Fair," will be screened at the Seventh Day Adventist Church from 7:30 o'clock Friday evening.

Taken by the Rev. Howard Hicks of Salt Lake City, the film is in technicolor.

Several other reels of motion pictures will be shown also.

CONFAB CALLS 3 DELEGATES

Three members of the Protestant Church, identified with student and religious activities in the Project, will leave Topaz Friday afternoon as delegates to the 1943 Conference of the Student Christian Movement in Estes Park, Colorado, it was announced today. Two hundred key student and faculty leaders from the colleges and universities in the Rocky Mountain region will attend.

With the conference scheduled from June 12-19, the three, Misses Esther Tani, Harumi Kawahara and the Rev. Howard Torium will also participate in the orientation conference in Denver, Colorado, from June 20-22.

Sponsored by the YMCA, the Christian Conference will provide delegates with the opportunity of entering into Christian fellowship with the different nationalities represented, and of interpreting Christian values in relation to war and the post-war period.
WHSE. UPSETS HOSPITAL 7-6; ERRORS COSTLY

By Terry Tabata

In the most spectacular upset of the season, the up-and-coming Project Warehouse team downed the Hospital ten for its first defeat, 7-6, Tuesday.

EXPENSIVE FACES MADE

In the run-away first inning Hank Cagne started the ball rolling with a hard drive between 3rd and short, resulting in Hospital's 3 initial runs. The Warehousemen then made a determined comeback at the expense of the Hospital, who made five errors, four on easy flies. With two out, Johnny Sayehiro connected, bringing home Kin Kiyomura and Mas Akagaki. Shortstop Harry Nakayama then hit through short, knocking in Sayehiro. An expensive mis-play by Yon Aikawa from the catcher at 3rd resulted in another run for the victory-seeking Warehousemen. The score at the end of the first inning was Project Whse.-4, Hos.-3.

WHSE. AGAIN SCORES

The Warehouse, holding the Hospital team scoreless in the second, scored again. Like the first inning, with two away, Harry Nakayama hit in Nickly Hashiguchi from End. Kiyomura then batted in Nakaaya. The score was now 6 to 3 in favor of Warehouse. Both teams, eager to win, held each other in check from the third to the sixth inning, although both teams did tally once in the fifth.

HOSPITAL SCORES A HOMER

Then came the all-decisive seventh. If the Hospital was to rally it was now. The Hospitalmen started off brilliantly when Ted Iida, their first batter, made a homer by terrific drive through the 3rd baseman, backshort, and left fielder. With Kur Mori (replacing Lingy Jive Asai) on 3rd and Ogawa in last, Aikawa popped out, but Mori, tagging up, dashed home to score. The score was now 7-6 still in Warehouse's favor. But Warehouse, lightning up once more, held the Hospitalmen, thus climaxing a thrilling nip-and-tuck game. The final score was Project Whse., 7, Hospital 6.

OILERS, HOSPITAL LEAD SECOND ROUND

As a result of Tuesday's Industrial AA games the League standings are as follows:

TEAM | W | L | PCT
---|---|---|---
Oilers | 1 | 0 | 1.000
Hospital | 2 | 1 | .666
Commissary | 1 | 1 | .500
Co-op | 1 | 1 | .500
Proj. Whse. | 1 | 2 | .333
CASH | 0 | 2 | .000

TUESDAY'S RESULTS:

Co-op, 11; CASH, 4.
Commissary-Oilers game was postponed.

Golf Course Nearly Finished

It was announced by the Supervisor of the Golf Course Gengo Hizumoto, that he hopes to complete the course in the near future. Crankcase oil is to be used on the greens but at the present time the Motor Pool is using all the oil on the sewer pipes to kill mosquitoes. The course will be finished temporarily without the oil so that golf enthusiasts will be able to play on it, but when the oil becomes available one hole will be oiled at a time.

Anyone wishing to volunteer his services to help finish the course is requested by Iizumoto to go to the course, opposite Blk. 3, on either Saturday afternoons or Sunday mornings.

ABOUT THE INDUSTRIAL AA

Reinforced by such all-stars as Lee Yano, Yutaka Iwamasa, and Mas Akagaki the Project Warehouse ten will be THE team to watch. In a recent survey conducted by the Topaz Times Sports Section both Yano and Iwamasa were revealed as hitting .500 or better. This, together with the ever-present menace of speed ball buster Nobby Hashiguchi will make the FW ten a top notch team.

The still strong Hospital team, first round champs of the Industrial AA League, unlike the FW, has lost the services of two of its most valuable backbone strength, Sen Kanai, top hitter of the loop, and Eddie Hitomi, pitching ace. Replacing Hitomi in the pitcher's mound will be Bo Katoaka. Another team to note in the second round will be the Co-op. Reason; Sus Ota will be pitching; Co-op teams had better not underestimate the Sus Ota-Jiro Nakas battery.

Not to be overlooked either is the "dark horse" Oilers. Composed of seasoned vets they should give their adversaries "one bad time" in any game.

A BRIGHT RED

With an awfully red face we wish to state in effect that this page made a "slight" slip-up in last Tuesday's softball schedule. It should have read: Proj. Whse. vs Hour.; GAS vs Co-op; Comm. vs CASH; Ollers vs Arch.; vs Elec.; Comm. vs Ed.; Proj. Whse. vs Adm.; and Blk. Mgrs. byo.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE THURSDAY, JUNE 10 (AA)

Proj. Warehouse vs Co-op at Diamond 15.
Oilers vs Hospital at Diamond 15.
Commissary vs CAS at Diamond 21.
Proj. Whse. vs Hour. at Diamond 15.
Architects vs Commis. at Diamond 15.
Blk. Mgrs. vs Project Warehouse at Diamond 21.
Education vs Electricians at Diamond 15.
Administration byo.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>(1)</th>
<th>(2)</th>
<th>(3)</th>
<th>(4)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>例：</td>
<td>例：</td>
<td>例：</td>
<td>例：</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>例</td>
<td>例</td>
<td>例</td>
<td>例</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>例</td>
<td>例</td>
<td>例</td>
<td>例</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

June 11, 1943