Rendering helping hands to the center's "Food for Victory" program are pictured a quartette of former southern California lassies, from left to right: Amy Iwaki, Alyce Hirata, Masako Kimura, and Hideko Matsuno. Nestled among the scenic beauties of the picturesque Owens Valley, the victory garden is located in designated firebreaks, providing vegetables for consumption within the center.
Manzanar's Administration

The Office of Reports functions as a two-way information service. Supervising the work of the editorial staff of the English and Japanese sections of the Manzanar Free Press is one of the tasks of this office. This office also channels information to the project administration and to the WRA headquarters through the weekly, monthly, and quarterly reports, plus literature of all types published by the various departments. The project administration and the WRA headquarters pass on instructions and policy from Washington to project people through the Reports Office.

A third bit not by any means the least important function of this office exists. This department acts as the public relations office for the project. In this phase of its task the office strives to maintain good relationships with the communities neighboring the project.

The following are the staff members: Assistant Project Director Robert L. Brown, interim reports officer; Roy M. Tanaka, in charge of Office of Reports; Sue Kinutomi, managing editor of the Free Press; Ted Kikumoto, managing editor of the Japanese sections of the Free Press; Fumi Fukushima, mimeograph head; and Yuichi Hirata, assistant project director in charge of community management.

Reports Office

Memories of Manzanar

Impressions of Manzanar most likely to wander through our memories after this is all over:

The blue-purple haze veiled over the Inyo Mountains moments before sunrise, eye-catching to those barely few early risers—the hush of summer's evening tide after the sun dips behind the Sierras; and the arched panoramic of the rugged blue-black weighed by the craggy mountain range against the sky, a veritable backdrop for an impressionistic stage drama—The brassing effect of black coffee. No. 59 had halted on a Sunday morning after a hilarious night before. Suddenly murmuring and scuffling over the sand as people leave the open-air movie theater, scattering in all directions and raising a cloud of dust—Men, women and children lining up patiently to the grimly closed door of mass halls, minutes before meal time. The hourly change of classes in block E, sending swarms of chattering and laughing pupils to their next class room—the chattering of elderly ladies as they gazed over the crepey, robust, adventurous, early years in America—

Fiscal Department

One of the important departments to the residents, the budget and finance division is responsible for taking care of all business matters of the center, including the cash allowances, and for figuring all monetary matters.

The budget and finance department takes care of bookkeeping and accounting, auditing, cost accounting, preparation of payrolls and timekeeping. Approximately $10,000 is issued monthly to residents by this department.

Headed by R. C. Sokolowski, financial officer, the appointed personnel, string of bookkeepers Joseph W. Carney, auditor; Margaret Loebo, night clerk; Herbert E. Brown, cost accountant; Clyde R. Lane, junior cost accountant; George B. Weber, fiscal accountant; Roland A. Seeger, junior fiscal accountant; and Ilene H. Hieto, payroll clerk.

Legal Services

Located in the administration building, the office of Project Attorney handles all legal matters for the center. Legal services for the administration are rendered by Project Attorney Robert B. Thorndyke whereas services for the evacuees are rendered by the Legal Aid Section under Director Henry Taunton.

Legal services performed for the administration include the furnishing of legal advice and services to the project director and his staff members.

Services rendered by the legal aid section include such matters as insurance, divorces, guardianship, law suits, leases, contracts, wills, powers of attorney, notarization, income tax and other legal documents.

Under the management of Project Attorney J. Benson Salk, who recently replaced Robert B. Thorndyke, the staff includes Director of Legal Aid Henry J. Tanaka, Supervising Clerk Howard Yoshio, and Chief Law Clerk Sumitaka Oshiro.

Difficult Problems Met By Administrative Staff

Launched as a reception center under Wartime Civilian Control Authority and headed by Clayton Triggs, the task of creating a center was to house and feed them was handed over to the WRA's War Relocation Authority in June, 1942.

The fact that the center is functioning smoothly is a credit to the administrative staff and the sincere efforts to help the residents.

Ralph P. Merritt arrived last November to become the director.

Asst. Project Director Merritt, is Robert L. Brown, assistant project director, Edwin H. Higbee, senior administrative officer, and Mrs. Lucy Adams, assistant project director in charge of community management.

With the lush foliage of Baird's Creek in the background and the wind blown summer clouds above, Alice and Yuichi Hirats stand together on a bridge of logs. This area has been designated as an area for recreational use.

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The four persons who are closest to the work of the project director and who assist him in his task of coping with the many and varied problems of the evacuees are the pictured administrative staff. From left to right: Edwin G. Hoover, senior administrative officer, and Robert Throckmorton, former project attorney, who since has been succeeded by J. Benson director are made. In the background of the air conditioned administrative building in which among the many departmental offices are the offices of the administrative staff.

RANGE OF LIGHT

Standing on the vast whiteness leading to "Shangri-la" the hero posed with atrracts in the immense arena where his heart would find the peace so intensely sought by men of all races. Somehow, the towering peaks gave spiritual inspiration to the young, have found gainful work—in the fields, in manual arts and crafts, in the many different highlands and ascending peaks, the adverse problems of a minority group seem to figuratively moments before their arrival. Within a few weeks, the whole camp was occupied. Within the limits of facilities provided, there, isolated from the war-torn world through unprecedented circumstances, we live our daily lives.

With the inspiration gained by daily gazings at the granite mountains, the many different verdure of the green grass, the wind howling? I doubt it. Yes, the whisper of the leaves in the trees and the rustling of the corn and the whisper of the grasses, the open forum. The crickets voiced different tale tonight. They re-echoing with their unselfish assistance in making the Manzanar Free Press: Ray Hayashida, editor; Kameichi Kozawa of the Motor Pool; Toyo Hiyatake and the Co-op Photo Shop. Kotobuki Oku, chief cook and the kitchen No. 1 crew. Churches for the use of their members (we hope) edition of the Manzanar Free Press: Ted Takahashi and the Chaplain staff in charge. As always, the villain is born after five long months of fretting and planning and working. A 16-page edition was the original plan of the staff. With the improvement in the financial aspect of the publication and evidence of willingness on the part of the staff to work upon it, (heart! heart) it was enlarged to a 20-page affair. Then the staff decided upon a 16-page edition. Finally, a 20-page pictorial was set as the goal. Lo and behold, the first edition, the Free Press staff has earned the praise of all the others.

WHAT IS MANZANAR?

Manzanar? The name itself bearing imprints of early Spanish settlers, conjures a sonorous and rolling sound. It is empyrean by apple blossoms in spring and its fruit in autumn, producing an atmosphere of comfort and peace among the voices which once formed a part of a bush­lands and later withstood droughts which killed off the rest of the trees. A city situated in the Owens Valley, bordered on three sides by mountain ranges—the Inyo range to the east, the High Sierra to the west.

Manzanar is a city peopled mostly with evacuees from Southern California. The first assembly center to be erected by the WRA in the Sierra Nevada range was appropriately named the"Range of Light" by John Muir, early pioneer of nature. Here, isolated from the war-torn world through unprecedented circumstances, we live our daily lives.

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Telephone Operator

"Once a telephone operator, always a telephone operator." So Mrs. Mavis Hutchison described her work as supervisor of the Manzanar telephone operators.

Red-haired and red-eyed, this charming personality with a soft voice takes care of all calls in this center.

Employed since June, Mrs. Hutchison is one of the senior workers under WRA administration and has been a resident of Independence for 17 years.

The most tedious hours are during the graveyard shift when only a few calls are received, which are usually from the Police Department or the hospital.

People from all over the country call here, but most frequent are ones received from other relocation centers. To her, pronouncing "Yamato"……"Man Dust" and "Mr. Friction." Then when the shooting ends, washing and cleaning Japanese names is not difficult because of her constant association with them.

Garage Mechanics

Speaking of unsung heroes, there is a group of workers who have never been recognized as vitally important. The disassembled garage mechanics in their very unpleasant work are seldom heard to grumble.

Keeping in step with the trend of the warring world seems to be "right up their alley," as the mechanics, armed with a powerful grease gun, track down and destroy the common enemies of all mankind. They are "Mr. Man Dust" and "Mr. Friction."

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Records Office

Official records, vital statistics, and pre-evacuation information of every person in Manzanar is accurately maintained by the office, records, registration, and statistical section located in the northern section of building 1-5, sharing it with the Employment Division. It also keeps an accurate record of arrivals and departures, notifying Washington and cognizant division heads with the request of the project director and the project director.

A system of records is kept to cover the movements of each vehicle. A cost accounting system apportions the use of vehicles to all departments.

Since an economic operational basis is essential, a garage located by Frank Celley has been erected in the vicinity of the warehouse to maintain and repair all motorized equipment.

Functions such as greasing, oiling, washing and tuning are few of the jobs that the garage workers must execute to prevent breakdowns and costly repairs.

Employment

Services rendered by the Employment Department headed by Employment Officer Arthur Miller, consists of the usual duties performed by a public employment office of any community.

Very popular toward the end of the month, the Fiscal Department handles the casework as well as the processing of clothing allowances, travel grants, and other financial matters. Miss Ota is receiving her long awaited pay check from Yone Matsukura.

Evacuee Property

The Evacuee Property Department, established on March 19, 1943, to render aid to evacuees in connection with both real and personal properties which they have received from the military, has its main office in 1-5-8.

This office, headed by Karl W. Barton, evacuee property officer, has helped the evacuees in many and varied problems. Sales of farm machinery and automotive equipment have been made through this office. Assistance is also given in the collection of past-due rents, accounts and other obligations which evacuees have been unable to handle themselves.

This office is in close contact with the field offices located in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle. When it is necessary to have property inspected or to contact people on the outside directly, the office also handles property in private storage which the residents wish to have transferred to the project, and freight shipments to other projects and reseement points from Manzanar.

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With the termination of the procurement office, the responsibility for the purchase of essential supplies fell on the local procurement office in San Francisco last October, responsibilities being shared by Roy Tashima with Assistant Kenichi Namba. Superintendent is Kiyoshi Sugimoto.

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The placement of workers on all types of work in the center and the maintenance of accurate records and statistics for everyone in the center, as well as a complete set of employment records. The department occupies building 1-5 and shares the back office with the Records division.

Placement section makes all placements, transfers, reclassifications, and terminations. Information on current open positions, the guide to placement, is distributed to all workers. The placement office is located in the north end of building 1-5, under the guidance of Junior Placement Officer Arthur Shiozawa.

Not only does the section perform all applications for jobs, requests, and interviews of workers are handled. They also conduct occupational counseling and vocational guidance to adjust workers to their jobs and to fit them for re-employment. "Minor" also performs this function in this office.

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Cooperative Enterprises Serve Residents’ Needs

Though in existence for little over a year, the Manzanar Cooperative Enterprise has grown to become a successful part of center life. With its objectives to supply members with goods and services of high quality at minimum cost and to establish methods of working together whereby people can solve their economic and social problems, the Co-op has knitted life of the residents more closely together.

The Consumer Enterprises Division, under the WRA took over the first canteen when the Army Post Exchange withdrew. Under the supervision of Dr. William Bruce and associate, Leo C. Poon, the enterprise flourished. In September, 1942, it was formally turned over to the residents as an incorporated cooperative.

The cooperative has 7,145 paid members and is governed by a general congress and a board of directors. The management of the enterprise is entrusted to four persons selected by the board. These are: General Manager Hi­deo Okada; Assistant Manager F. K. Kurahashi; Treasurer Shigematsu Takeyasu, and Comptroller Sokichi Sugimoto.

The administrative staff of these four offices is composed of the following persons: M. Yashi­ki, head cashier; Hiro Fuki, chief accountant; Woodrow Wakatsuki, chief clerk; and Harvey Takeuchi, inventory clerk.

Operations of the Manzanar Cooperative Enterprises are divided into 14 departments in addition to the administrative staff. These are the warehouse section under the supervision of M. Osakan, M. Yoshii; general store, M. Hori; barber shop, M. Kamo; shoe repair shop, T. Shihata; beauty shop, Margaret Uyematsu; arti­facts and selling goods, M. Seki; watch repair shop and laundry service, M. Seki; Photographic studio, Toyo Miyatake; moving pictures, S. Betsuin; and American Ex­press Agency, Henry Kinoshita.

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Preparing for the torrid summer weather by purchasing a straw hat at the general store is Mrs. Helen Bano assisted by Salesgirl Yaeko Yamamoto. One of the fourteen branches of the Co-op, the store is located at 21-14.

General Store Salesgirls Relate Their Daily Woes

To be a salesgirl at the general store is not a very pleasant task for there are all kinds of people in this community; polite, rude, unfair and the downright ornery ones.

When salesgirls were asked about their customers, most of them agreed that they would like them to be more polite. They try to make the customer believe that he’s always right but... Ladies often forget they ever were ladies and push, grab, shove and turn the store into a bedlam when dress materials arrive. During a shoe rush before shoe ra­tion tickets were needed, the customers would buy shoes only to bring them back because they hadn’t become mismated during the rush.

Now that shoe rationing has started, customers have become choosier. They want better shoes. Many customers buy shoes one week and the next week come in to exchange them because of some better shoe newly in stock.

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LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Local Zone Postal Rates to Manzanar
Manager of Block 30, Chokichi Nakano is shown asking Pro­ject Director Ralph Merrill a pertinent question at a block man­agers' meeting held at Town Hall.

Job of Assistant Manager Tough!

My name is Yo San and I'm the assistant to the block man­ager. My job is interesting but sometimes it gets boring and dull. It starts off with a regular cleaning of the office, and ends with a report to Town Hall on all complaints from the people in their blocks. Per­haps it is the most inside job of his, but I will have to listen to Mrs. San and so I have to keep quiet. He has been staying up too late and making too much noise, etc.

Night Checkers

Combination diplomats, census-takers, advisors, and complaint expediters are the 35 night­checkers of this community who, each evening visit each apart­ment checking to see that all residents are accounted for. They gather information and inform the adminis­tration of construction and other detailed duties.

Responsibilities of Block Managers Heavy Burden

To a great many people who see the block manager or the assist­ant sitting in the block office, the impression is that there is a ver­itable dream job.

They do not see him performing any specific work, but his duties are numerous, ranging from that of an errand boy to counselor. At times, he is called in to settle family disputes.

Requests for repairs are brought to him. He is continually attending various Town Hall, Com­munity Assembly, and committee meet­ings. He figuratively is on duty 24 hours as it is not uncommon for him to be awakened at two or three in the morning by a re­quest for an ambulance.

It is his responsibility to see that residents are informed of policies and instructions from the town office and likewise the admin­istration staff is kept in­formed of the wants and views of the residents through him. It is this part of the job in which the ultimate success or failure of this project is measured.

Town Hall Chairman

Born in Japan in 1879, and completing his college education at Sendai, Japan, Kiyoharu An­zai, present block managers' as­sembly chairman, sailed for the United States as a student.

Entering the University of Cali­fornia at Berkeley in 1908, Mr. Anzai took a course in liberal arts. Afflicted with an illness, he moved to Los Angeles hoping to improve his health. After a year of rest, he partially regained his health and entered the University of Southern California to fin­ish his study in philosophy and soci­ology.

He then moved to San Gabriel and then to the farm. From there he moved to Los Angeles where he earned a Ph.D. degree in the same subject.

He was elected to the National Academy of Sciences and was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

He was president of the California State Teachers Association and a member of the California State Board of Education.

He died in 1955 and was buried in the Manzanar Cemetery.

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MANZANAR'S FOUR HORSEMEN

Mannan's version of "Four Men on a Horse" can be seen in the vicinity of the picnic grounds south of the center. From 8:00 a.m. to sundown, or until all residents who went out to the picnic return through the West Gate, these equestrians patrol the grounds, watching for park rule violators, checking the creek weirs, and on the lookout for fires.

One nisei filling out an employ­ ment form in a center was puzzled by the question: "Any physical disabilities?" His friend suggested "Just tell them you're a Jap!"

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Manzanar Gets Sick

by PETE KONDO

You've always heard of sling- ing Sam, slinging the "Ball," but Shinglu Kensei Koishirou's yar- nas are tall and long as are the winds of Manzanar.

Edward Shephard in bed with a hip displacement. Come what may there's nothing that can disrupt his quiet manner and humor. A smile lights his face though trou­ ble comes along. He is a man­ who for his 85 years.

Young in years but mature in action is our personality orderly of Ward II. He is a student of Manzanar High and his ambition is to be a M.D. May we present our "Harold Teen," Shigeki Su­ oyama.

"Looks are deceiving" so we are told, and in the case of ord­ erly Sam Sokii this is true as the general consensus of opinion is that he is a kibei. Relocating re­ cently to Chicago, his friends are se­ verely checking of the value of fine­ friendship.

Tall, dark and handsome in as fickle as the autumn breeze is "lower" George Nakano. We won­ der how his hair got so wavy.

First he smoothed and groomed, then he ranted and这几, as a result perhaps, expected birthday greeting which he never before had achieved. But as it failed to appear from Drs. Iwamoto, and Nakano he took up smoking a pipe, a vice in which he had never before in­ dulged. First it curled his hair the other week it just contributed to his chemotherapy. Though finally ended up in a shade of chestnut around about the gills and tuft of grace­ s, we hear that Tanukio "Foolish!" Shoji has a way with the ladies.

It is like to laugh and be gay when fortune smiles your way, but how few are they who keep it up in spite of it advertised.

Even after 18 years of being hand­ icapped with a chronic bone infection, Joe Kishimoto has a most pleasant air. Even as the opportunity arises, remem­ ber Joe, we have a date to go fishing.

FINES HEALTH SERVICE RENDERED BY SMALL MEDICAL STAFF

Carrying out the recognized WRA policy that each evacuee shall receive the best of medical care, the modern 250-bed base hospital located in the most western part of the center, has rend­ ered untiring service to the Man­ zanar residents for a span cov­ ering a year and a half period. Derived from its single apartment head­ quarters situated in block one, the present base hospital was constructed last July in accord­ ance with blueprints of the ordi­ narily constructed in the the­ me of operations by the United States Engineering Department. The hospital was transferred to the present base hospital last September.

Dr. James Goto, Fukumoto Go­ bata, RN, and Frank Chuman were appointed by the U. S. Pub­ lic Health Department to set up an emergency hospital for the immediate care of evacuees volun­ teers who first set foot on this territory late in March, 1942.

In May, 1942, General Dewitt and Colonel Bendetsen, upon vis­ iting this center, promised ad­ ministrative staff that the con­ struction of a 250-bed hospital would commence immediately following his departure. Upon completion on July 22, 1942, the hospital was transferred to the new site in one day.

Dr. Morris Little, Project Medi­ cal Director, and nursing Direc­ tor Gertrude Wetzel, arrived in October.

Reolocation Policy Affects Physicians, Nurses

The category of physicians and nurses has been greatly affected by the relocation policy. At the present time, there are only three physicians, Drs. Little, Ta­ kahashi and Mizumoto. Fewer physicians have seen, since the first of this year, a total of 11,500 out-patients, 636 in-patients and have performed 128 surgi­ cal operations. Rapid increase in the number of patients necessi­ tated the utilization of six out of the seven wards and has imposed a tremendous strain upon not only the physicians but also the nurses, attendants, and orderlies.

Medical Branches Also Taxed

With the transfer of personnel the Dental Clinic also felt the impact of the relocation of den­ tists with only Drs. Kitkuchi, Na­ wamoto, and Kishimoto remain­ ing to care for some 9,600 pa­ tients. The one optometrist at the hospital has been seen. There have been, the laboratory has been severely affected in that every qualified laboratory tech­ nician has relocated. The hospital X-Ray service has been of in­ valuable assistance in diagnosing and treating ailments. It is a noteworthy fact that in spite of the decreasing number of hospital employees and medi­ cal services rendered, according to Aa'. Med. Adm. Frank Chu­ man, the health and medical serv­ ices to the evacuees has been maintained at a commendably high level.

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Children’s Village

Children’s Village was founded June 23, 1942, on arrival of the first occupants from the Shonien and Maryknoll Home, both formally of Los Angeles. Later, others arrived from the Salvation Army Home of San Francisco.

Attempting to create opportunities for a choice of activities through which the children can express their individual talents, participation in community life is encouraged. Supervising the home for these children are Mrs. Mary Hiro and Mrs. Harry Matsumoto.

The village is located in the northwest section of the center among the Apple trees. A plot of green lawn with ample shade affords the children a pleasant playground. Among the recreational activities carried on are archery, basketball, volley ball, baseball, gymnastics, victory garden.

All school-age children attend the local schools. Members of the staff assist the children with their studies and encourage them through difficulties. For the present, the school is conducted in the Village.

Community Management Division Co-ordinates

Community Management Division is charged with general responsibility for directing and co-ordinating the programs of various activities to meet the community needs. The department includes the following sections: Education, Health, Community Activities, Community Welfare, Social Analysis, Relocation, Evacuee Property, and Community Enterprises. Holding its office in the Administration building, it functions under the supervision of Mrs. Lucy W. Adams and Barbara Dougherty, secretary.

It has standing committees on recreation, vocational training, summer activities, and the city planning board, which includes appointed staff and evacuee members who assist in planning programs and activities in these fields. Several of the sections also have their own evacuee boards and committees to assist in formulating over-all policies and advice on public relations within the center. Community Management also handles repatriation and assists in the rehearing of cases for leave clearance.

WELFARE GROUP INVALUABLE

Family matters arising within the center are handled by the Community Welfare, located at 1-3-4, under the management of Counselor Mrs. Margaret D’Ille. Daily problems considered by this department include grants-in-aid, clothing allowances, social welfare, reuniting families which separated by evacuation, weddings, funerals, YMCA, YWCA, and religious activities.

Under the capable supervision of Counselor Mrs. Margaret D’Ille, the office staff includes: Mrs. Hatsu Hayashi, office manager; Yoshiko Ukita, intercamp transfer; Yoshiko Utaka, intern and household aide; Kajio Naka, general interviewer.

Working with the joint supervision of the welfare and medical division, the community hospital was established at 34-15. Supervised by Kiyosi Iwasa, the hospital cares for invalid persons who have no one to give them the proper care. A closely related division is the household aides. Service rendered consists of aid to individual families such as when a person is needed to care for the children and housework.

Workers closest to the people are the family visitors. Responsible for watching over the welfare of the people, they are trained to give consultation and advice.

San Pedro Youths

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As part of their daily routine the garbage crew takes the garbage cans to the back of the hospital boiler room to be steam cleaned.

Best Miura, former garment factory worker from Los Angeles, is shown cutting material for mattress ticking at the garment factory located in warehouses 30-31.


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Attends to Many Tasks

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Industrial Division Attends to Many Tasks

Credited with not only undertaking all tasks coming under the industrial end, but also for the task of training the employed evacuees, the industrial division, under Superintendent Henry R. Haberle, was organized with the creation of the Garment Factory. With ten women workers headed by Mrs. Taye Jow, the Garment Factory started its production on a borrowed Singer machine at Warehouse 23. At its present location, Warehouses 30 and 31, approximately 13,000 units of clothing have been made.

Woodcraft project under supervision of S. Railai, located at Warehouse 32 and 33-15, manufactures toys and furniture.

Community Clothing Alterations and Repair section located at Warehouse 30, is under the supervision of Mrs. S. Sumi. Functions of this group are to repair or alter issued clothing for evacuees of this center.

Producing over 1,600 pounds of bean sprouts since its beginning, the Bean Sprout Project, under J. S. Tomita, is located at Laundry Room 1.

Began in February, 1943, the Apiary Project, under Supervisor Paul Ichino, plans to produce honey from the 25 hives now set out, for consumption in local mess halls.

The Shoyu Factory, located at Laundry Room 1, is under the supervision of N. Nakamura. Equipment and machinery were installed in October and production started in November.

Other sections include the Cabinet Shop, under the supervision of S. Araki; Sign Shop, supervised by Jack Hirose; Maintenance, under S. Harada; and Domestic Machine Repair, under Carl Kurata.

Evidence of patriotism within the center is displayed by Toshiko Hataka as she attaches stars to the Manzanar service flag. The task of sewing on the numerous stars is tedious in that each one must be sewn by hand. Toshiko is one of the many girls employed in the garment factory located in warehouses 30-31.

Public Works

Operating 144 boiler units, filling in just about one hour time, a reservoir with a capacity of 600,000 gallons of water, is utilized by the center residents. With a capacity of 600,000 gallons of water, is utilized by the center residents. With a capacity of 600,000 gallons of water, is utilized by the center residents.

Although water rights are controlled by the City of Los Angeles, Manzanar’s water supply is supervised by Jiro Matsuyama. He sees that water is supplied and available at all times and property chlorinated. Daily average of 1,060 gallons of water is utilized by the center residents.

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Farming

Acting upon a recent notification from Washington urging all centers to enlarge their agricultural program to increase food production this year, this department is striving to make this center as self-sustaining as possible. With the assurance that the livestock project will be under way without further delay, this impecunious has been given the agricultural program.

This department is divided into four sections, with the main office located at Warehouse 34. The field unit is divided into six work crews, each supervised by a foreman, who are in turn under the supervision of General Foreman Katsugoro Kawase.

All responsibilities concerning propagation and raising of seedlings used on the farming project are under the nursery unit supervised by Joe Kishi.

Livestock to be completed within the next few weeks and will include beef cattle, swine, and chickens. All meat and poultry units will be located south of the center.

12,500 gallons of shoyu have been produced in the local shoyu project since production started in November. In the photo above, Shintaro Nakamura, foreman, poses in the shoyu factory located in block one laundry room.

EFFICIENT CABINET SHOP

From food trays and window shades used on the various divisions in this center valued at almost $500.

File boxes, supply cabinets, executive desks, double desk bookcases, typists’ tables, and shelves, are other articles constructed by the thirty employees.
**Manzanar Goes To School**


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Nursery Schools

**Teach Cooperation**

With obstacles overcome, such as adequate equipment installed, nursery schools decorated, and armed with a better and more thorough teacher training, evacuee nursery teachers are now in direct charge of Manzanar’s youngsters ranging in age from three to five years of age.

Present nursery school teachers include: Mary Kakoi, Chizuko Hayashida, Midori Kijii, Sadae Yoshikawa, Mrs. Lily Yamada, Mary Watanabe, Edith Wakamoto, Chiyo Nakamine, Masako Uno, Yuriko Takeda, Helen Taubuchi, Puyuko Sakai, Lilian Kawai, Miki Miyamoto, Takeko Kawahara, and Mrs. Kubota. Teachers have received instructions from Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Gibson, Dr. Genevieve Carter, and Joy Soeda. Mrs. Kamayo Fujita is parent-nursery school coordinator for assisting Mary A. Schauland, supervisor.

Camouflage Building No. Four houses the Ceramic project which will soon make chinaware for the mess halls. The products will be sold at the Co-op and other WRA projects will absorb others.

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**Education Set-Up Meets California Requirements**

Boosting the morale of school children and residents alike was the important event in the Education program. Dr. Aubrey Douglas of the State Department of Education and Herman Spiriti of the University of California inspected and evaluated the school system within the center. Now in possession of the Education Department are credentials of approval stating that the local high school and junior college study system within the center. Now in possession of the Education Department are credentials of approval stating that the local high school and junior college study system within the center.

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This encouraging incident following only ten months after school was officially opened is proof of the hard work placed in the school system and assures the fact that the quality of the Manzanar school system is in no way inferior to other systems.

Headed by Dr. Genevieve Carter, Superintendent of Education, the school system is divided into: Nursery, Elementary, Secondary, and Adult Education schools. Leon C. High is principal of the High School, Clyde Simpson, principal of Grammar School, Dr. Melvin Strong, Director of Adult Education and Mary Schauland, head of Nursery Schools.

Chief concern at the present time is the crowded condition of classrooms. The building program has been approved by the WRA headquarters and is hoped to be completed this summer. Nursery centers have undergone great improvement with parents redecorating the barracks and attendance mounting to 97%.

High school students have been particularly active this semester with the publishing of the school newspaper, organization of the student council, science club and choir. An honor roll system has been developed while the farm management class is now operating with six acres under cultivation.

Junior Red Cross, intramural sports, newspaper, and other grade activities have done much to unify the elementary school groups.

There is an approximate enrollment of 2000 students, 1021 in Elementary school, 986 in High School. Although resignations have been turned in by some of the teachers at the end of the winter session, there were 32 teachers for elementary and 51 for high school. Out of these 34 were evacuee teachers.

Center residents through perseverance and hard work have developed one of the finest school systems of the ten centers.

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**Red Cross**

Composed of some of the leading residents of Manzanar, the local Red Cross has been organized since its inception in May, 1942.

In January, 1943, the Red Cross office was stationed in the block 3-WVCA building, and artificial flowers and crocheted puppies were made and sold to raise funds.

In February, old clothes and blankets were converted and sold to raise money.

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Manzanar Holds Graduation Exercises

Graduates: Marking the completion of twelve years of study, one hundred and ninety-six students of the local high school were graduated in a commencement held on July 3 in block 16-17, firebreak. It brought to a close one of the most unusual school experiences for each of the graduates who a year ago were scattered all over the broad state of California. Leaving their Caucasian and evacuee instructors meeting their new teachers and schoolmates, each of the graduates came to Manzanar not knowing when a day would arrive when they had realized that a senior year was ended for such a solemn ceremony.

With much bewilderment these students attended "school" that first day, sitting on the floor and meeting their new teachers and fellow students. Lack of chairs, desks, equipment, and books hindered the teaching methods of the Caucasian and evacuee instructors alike. Slowly block 7 began to take on the atmosphere of a normal school as textbooks and desks began to arrive and lino­zem and plasterboard were used to make the room more comfort­able for the students.

Slowly the students began to settle down to serious study­ing. With much bewilderment these students felt they lacked the activities common in all high schools. With faculty encourage­ment, entertaining events were arranged for the election of student body officers.

During the last semester a school paper was published by the students which bolstered student morale and developed a better school spirit.

As the last semester commenced for the summer class of 1943, they realized that a senior year would not be complete without the traditional prom and bal­­quet. With a lot of gaiety all affairs were undertaken and com­­pleted with much success.

With these fond memories of their high school days these sen­­iors were graduated in one of the most beautiful settings possible for such a solemn ceremony.

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Manzanar On Furlough

Sugar Land Lures Press Newshound

Unpainted and impartial, this is the story of a Manzanar Free Press reporter who exchanged his typewriter for a hoe and left the security of a center for freedom and heartbreak-experiencing experiences in Idaho as a farmer.

Bill Kiyama who picked his dreams in his lifetime reached Idaho Falls, Idaho in early May, 1949, only to find that the contract he had signed while in Manzanar was given to another party. Although some Americans residing in relocation centers asked the War Relocation Authority to save the nation's vital sugar supply, their actions were prompted not only by patriotism but by a two-fold purpose—relocation and financial rewards. Their efforts were temporarily thwarted when their rightfully earned wages were decreased. This was contrary to the Secretary of Agriculture's decision and the sugar beet contract which reads: "The executive agreement provides for employment at prevailing wages."

One instance proving a case where an evacuee refused to thin beets for the $8.25 he was credited for. The farmer then hired Mexican laborers who demanded and received $10.00 per acre, the prevailing wage. The sugar beet contracts failed to account for weeds which brought up to 50 cents extra for Mexican laborers. Too, it failed to mention the usage of neglected seeds, which does not pay as much as the regular seeds.

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TWO ISSUES

Two issues await the actions of the War Relocation Authority. First, this issue of thinning weedy areas by evacuees who failed to receive the sum allowed by the new ruling passed by the Secretary of Agriculture. Second, the problem of getting back pay for those who are subject to receive the difference between $8.25 and $10.00.

Whatever be the outcome, evacuee beet workers will never again raise the same level of physical hardships and mental strain. The hard fought stable agreement, a more secure contract, which is backed not only by man-made laws, but by the laws of human decency and righteousness. For, after all, the Japanese-Americans are "borrowers," they stoically accepted and received $10.00 per acre, to thin beets for the $8.25 he was credited for. The farmer then hired Mexican laborers who demanded and received $10.00 per acre, the prevailing wage. The sugar beet contracts failed to account for weeds which brought up to 50 cents extra for Mexican laborers. Too, it failed to mention the usage of neglected seeds, which does not pay as much as the regular seeds.

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A small crowd gathers as busses pull up at the police station to take on Manzanar's share of furlough workers. With hands clasped behind him, Mr. Hidesuke Yamamoto, yard cleaner in Block 1, stands in the center foreground contemptively clenching cigarette butts throwers and gum wrapper droppers.

Responding to the frantic call for workers in the Idaho-Montana region were many evacuees. This is one contingent which left on furlough to help harvest the vital sugar beet crops.

Not All Hard Work For Furlough In Idaho

Pouncing upon a furlough worker who was returning to Idaho after a two-week visit here, this reporter was convinced that some furlough boys are enjoying something else besides blistered hands and broken backs. "We were fortunate in landing a swell contract in Idaho," stated Bill Takahashi, member of the Sierra Padres gang working on the Paul Scott farm near Pocatello.

Their contract includes harvesting of 110 acres of potatoes and 17 acres of beets. He described thinning as the most back-breaking task involved in preparing future sugar cubes.

A typical day starts at 5:30 in the morning as the "Come and get it!" shout of the chief awakens the workers in the midst of their dreams. Rationing does not seriously affect them since most vegetables and milk are obtainable right on the farm and prices of other foodstuffs are fairly reasonable.

Sunday is the day for relaxation. Late for dinner or maybe the theater, some go fishing. Sometimes they are lucky enough to have the boss take them on a fishing trip. One can understand why they call this state "Scenic Idaho" and the limit of front taken within two hours is enough incentive for any fisherman.

After such a colorful and inviting picture portrayed, even a hardened ex-furlougher is tempted to throw caution to the winds and take a chance.

Biography of a Manzanar Carrot

Following days of basking under the shimmery summmery sun, the healthy vegetables raised for the center's consumption are harvested and transferred to the huge refrigerators for "cooling off" while awaiting their turn for delivery to various packing halls in the center. Producing from three to seven acres into Man Nature's rich soil ever since retraining their old habits of drifters and qu_echooers and soil loosening by the farmers, the carrots were the occasions when the helpless green tops were nibbled at by envying long-earred creatures passing by.

Grouped into bunches of four to five, the carrots are placed into crates and legally brought into camp for either salad ingredients for Manzanites, or "relocation" to other centers. Those that are in need of local usage are washed and sorted and placed cold storage until requisition is made for their release. Those that are destined for overseas shipment are given a send-off at the farmers' warehouse.

Wednesdays, evenings menu's calls for the usage of the eagerly awaited carrots, so on Monday, the long fellows are warned of their turn in the front and the steward. Once again they are "whipped." When Japanese-Americans are temporarily assigned to the thirty-seven mess halls of the center, the cooks undertake the task of slicing and dicing 'til the carrots are beyond recognition. With the ring of the mess bells that eve, we discover beyond doubt that those once fresh appearing bunch of carrots are cooked for good along with the poor lamb to form a delicious dish of lamb stew.

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Pleasant voices of a sugar company begin to ring in the ears of the men as they are given their admission to the sugar beet fields. Of those who returned, nearly all voiced their satisfaction with community acceptance but complained of one or more conditions of employment or housing.

"Many conditions," the men claimed, "that they have to do with lack of electricity or the necessity to heat both water on a cook stove. Many others are fully justified but nearly all have to do with unchangeable circumstances. Housing provided to beet laborers has never been good and probably never will be. Just as most evacuees are good workers, so too are there poor workers and do little beyond recognition. There is a large proportion of the lives of those with a paternal urge."

Leisure Time Farmers Grow For Fun

On mealtimes, what goes good with "hollowbush?" Why, tomatoes of course! These Japanese pickles are derived from the products of the victory gardens situated in firebreaks throughout the camp.

Airing long before the break of dawn, the garden enthusiasts continue tilling their patches. Although a few of these farmers have been the frequent victims of "borrowers," they stubbornly continue production. Some also grow flowers to add color to their green plots of vegetables.

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An average of 25 residents leave this center each week to relocate in the mid-west and eastern states. Here is one group pausing at the Military Police house for clearance.

33,000 Miles Traveled

Companion, guide, advisor and diplomat, is Mrs. Nancy Zischank, official escort. She has traveled approximately 33,000 miles, escorting about 540 evacuees to Reno and back.

Mrs. Zischank's youngest charge was a six-month-old baby brought into Children's Village from Mojave; her oldest she escorted was about 60. For issei who do not speak English she has a very satisfactory system of conversation by means of cards, on one side of which is English and the other Japanese.

Relocation Department

Since its beginning, the Relocation Office has steadily grown in importance. Now the relocation program has reached a measure of maturity in organization and procedure. The leave section is under the charge of Relocation Officer Walter Heath. This section fills out questionnaires for indefinite, seasonal and short term leaves.

Leaves may now be obtained from this office for eligible persons within an hour after application. Evacuees may relocate upon the invitation of a friend who will assist in his re-establishment, an invitation from a hostel, or upon approval of the relocation officer of the area in which they seek employment.

Placement section headed by Ray Buzzetti, receives about 75 job offers each week outside the Western Defense Area. Varying from domestic to highly skilled laboratory technicians, these jobs are posted for inspection on the office's bulletin board. Applications for cash grants are also filed at this office.

At Work and Play with Sugar Beet Workers

Thousands of volunteer workers have gone out from War Relocation Centers to serve on the home front in office, home, shop and on our farms. Among the first to offer employment to these workers was the Amalgamated Sugar Company. In some instances, this work represented real pioneering for it brought to the individual and his associates an opportunity for resettlement and new-found freedom—to work and play for profit and pleasure.

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Manzanar Day By Day

Every evening night checkers in every block like Koichi Ozone, lower left, of block 17, visit each home in the block to take complaints, suggestions, and problems arising in the unusual and complex camp life. Residents shown in the picture are S. Ishikawa, H. Akano, and S. Kano, who live at the home above, and Mrs. S. Shikami and Masako, Norihiro who were visiting at that time.

Here is a street scene depicting the cross section view of Manzanar's business district. Shown at the extreme left is the Evacuee Property Office. Following this street down are various other departments including Property Control and the Consumer Enterprises divisions. The administration building can be seen on the right side of the street.

George S. Takemura shown with his own handiwork in front of his home at 23-9-4. The chairs and umbrella are made from remnants, twigs and tree branches. People in the center have made beautiful furniture with only twigs and unwanted wood.

Hanging My Hat In Manzanar

To define my home life in Manzanar, I would say that it has become a group of unique experiences in a rather livable environment which is constant only in its continued daily, dynamic changes.

These changes started from the moment I arrived. Visualize my approach apparelled in a big summer hat, open-toed French-headed sandals, costume a-la-L.A. and a gleam in my eye. The gleam meant anticipation of adventure. To be sure, adventure outside of a cozy little apartment set up with the useless lovely things (collection of tea cups) I had piled in the car. It would have hurt to know that my thoughts as well as my clothes were ridiculous. Each of us probably could write a book just on the mental gymnastics of the first day. Contemplate home in a corner of a plasterboarded six-beam, one-room barrack, a beet picker's bed, a straw mattress, a good block's walk to a frightening public place called "latrine," and three other girls to share this life with you.

It was harder because of a sand tornado on the outside, which refused to stay outside, to listen to the following positive cheer points given by these similarly inducted roommates. I had a bed, an unusual item to most of the teachers who were then sleeping on the floor; we had a small patch of grass in front of our barrack; the dust wouldn't blow forever and "I simply must hear about so-and-so of 'Goon Gulch' apartment, etc. etc." From the first the sense of humor of the inmates of Manzanar has been unconquerable. We named our home "Chicken Pox" (an erstwhile chicken pox sign from an abandoned hospital ward) a symbol of our resourcefulness—one of our most endearing attributes, and not of "cackling" as sometimes the neighbors imply. We pushed and pulled, nailed and tacked. The results—my dressing table is constructed of apple boxes, the stool a nail keg; our tea table is a round piece of plasterboard pounded on a nail keg; books and boards construct a partition bookcase and milk cans, stones and plasterboard provide needed desks.

We dash for the shower in "getas," share one another's belongings, fight the wind, dust, cold and heat, and manage a host of unpredictable items daily, unnoticed. We have the events and jot-downs, We bick-buck with a vicarious fervor, have a garden

Shepard's creek flowing north of Manzanar provides nearly all the center's water supply. Here the water is being diverted into a $500,000 gallon capacity settling basin prior to storage.

That only the elements will decide the future. We work and play and enjoy. It is much different in its environmental factors than the average home but the human elements, emotions, and satisfactions are the same. To us it is even more—it is our struggle to prove that Democracy is practical, possible and probable when your home is where you lay your heart as well as your hat.

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This hill billy band, known as the Sierra Stars is comprised of teen-age youngsters who have appeared in numerous talent programs during the past year. Musicians, left to right, are: Keto Okazaki, Tom Kano, Kiyo Nishi, Eddie Tanaka, Lillian Wakatsuki, Kazuko Nagai, and Frank Tani.

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First confirmation services held at the local St. Francis Xavier Church, the Catholic Church of Manzanar, was held last April with Bishop Phillip G. Scher of Fresno officiating. Assisting were Father Steinback, pastor of the local church, and Father Smith of the Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Lone Pine. Altar boys are George Minamiki and Vincent Doi.

Inside the Buddhist Church, located at Block 13, is shown Reverend S. Nagatomi. He lectures at various mess halls for the benefit of the residents. This church has been made beautiful by the help of the Buddhist followers.

Churches Help Keep Up Evacuees Faith In Wartime

Work of the churches in Manzanar has grown so in the past few months that present meeting places are too small. In addition priests, sisters, and ministers continue to counsel families and individuals coming to them for advice and help.

The first mass of the Catholic Church was held on March 29, 1942. Library of Catholic books, Catechism classes and Christian bapisms also have been organized. Clubs under the supervision of the church include: the Young People’s Study Club, Senior and Junior Sodality, and the Holy Name Society.

Father Hugh Lavery is the Superior, Father Leo Steinback, pastor, with Sisters Mary Bernadette and Mary Susanna assisting.

The Buddhist Church held its initial service three months after the first volunteers arrived. Since then the church groups have greatly expanded and now are divided into two sects, holding their services at 13-15. The Shinsbu or the First Buddhist is directed by Rev. Shinjo Nagatomi, and the Nichiren or the Second Buddhist is headed by Rev. Hiroshi Oda. Outstanding among the many special services held by the church was the Hana Matsuri celebrating the birth of Buddha, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and Gotanye. Bon-odori rehearsals, for the August Obon festival were held in the various areas. In conjunction with the above program, regular weekly services, lectures, shasen and shingon choir practices were held, having attendance exceeding 3,500 weekly.

Church Council, YBA Cabinet, Fujin Kai, Gyodo Kai, and other miscellaneous meetings round out the calendar.

The Protestant Church was organized soon after the Manzanar project began. Over 3,000 people attend the weekly services at the following locations at 9-15, 11-15, 15-15, 21-15, 23-15, 30-15, and 32-15. Regular meetings are conducted by YP Fellowship, Young Adults’ Forum, Adults’ Council, and Teachers’ Organizations. The members of the Ministerial Association are Reverends Junos Amos Kashitani, Yunosuke Ishida, Yukichi Naito, Takeshi Nishikawa, Masahiro Omi, Seiya Sakai, and Junichi Fujimori.

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Manzanar At Play

Highlighting the current softball season, a total of 27 boys' and 15 girls' league teams entertain the residents. Games are played in firebreaks as part of regularly scheduled recreational events.

Pictured from left to right are Eichi Minami, Eddie Tanaka and Akira Tanaka.

Community Activities

Forming an important cog in the Manzanar center life is the Community Activities Division directed by Aksel Nielsen. Although limited in facilities, the aid from sympathetic Caucasians and the enthusiastic efforts of the staff has helped the Community Activities to accomplish a high goal in its field.

Goh, shogi, drama, musicals, woodcarving, gardening and poem writing are the favorite pastimes for the elderly men. Embroidery, flower making, knitting, leathercraft, sewing, dramas and musicals are the predominant recreations for the women.

Through the medium of talent shows, dances, softball, basketball, football and tennis games, weight lifting contests, song fests, folk dances, parties, ping pong and movies, the morale of the younger residents has been kept at a high level. In addition to these diversions, several groups have been organized to form music, model airplane building, painting, and literature clubs for persons in all walks of life.

A summer "evening concert" is offered to the residents by the Manzanar community band under the direction of Louis Frizzell, every other Sunday evening on the outdoor stage.

The music department consists of six units: the military and swing bands, salon and concert orchestras, mandolin-guitar and violin ensembles.

Working with various well-known organizations, the Boy Scouts of America, Christian Young People, theYWCA and theYMCA, have been acting as a group to promote the development of a more wholesome center life for youngsters.

For public benefit, ground facilities located along Baird's creek are being used as a picnic, concert, golf and a general recreational area. Athletic centers are provided for the younger generation at firebreaks and recreational halls.

Although faced with inadequate funds and equipment from the WRA, the Community Activities division has organized various recreational cooperatives through which necessary funds are being raised to carry on the work. Certain portion of the fund raised is being kept by each of the different departments. The remainder is being turned into a general reserve fund, accounts for which are kept at the Co-op office.

Carrying out an extensive recreational program, the Community Activities division established a program with ingenuity. This group unselfishly gave its time to sustain and enlarge the program to what it is today.

The evacuee departmental staff consists of Masaki Ichien, superintendent of arts and crafts; Yo-suke Kohigashi, manager of sports; and Shig Ishii, chairman of entertainment.

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During the casaba season, two girls' league teams were formed in addition to six boys' leagues with the games being played on clay and dirt courts. In action are two top-notch teams, the Dusty Chicks and Just-A-Meres.

Concentration at its peak is displayed by these hard thinking iseis as they scratch noggin and moan, anticipating the move of their opponent in this fascinating Japanese strategy game of 'goh.'

Naomi Hashimoto uses a 'tomoye-nage' on Yasuo Suzuki on the sawdust mat covered floor. With cooperation from the judo enthusiasts, the large edifice was completed in March 1943.
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