

SELF GOVERNING BODY FOR CENTER PLANNED

ELECTION NEXT WEEK

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LOCAL GOVT. TO STRESS DEMOCRACY

Service Director King
Praises Nisei

Appreciating the need for an efficient self-governing body to maintain order and harmony among the residents of Pinedale Center, politically-minded nisei leaders this week began planning for a general election to be held early next week.

At a meeting held Wednesday at Assembly Hall, E-1, George E. King, Service Director, suggested a plan for a Center-wide election. According to the plan, each of the five Center blocks will hold separate elections for four block representatives, who will compose the Block Council. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes in each block will automatically become members of the Center Council. The Center mayor will be elected by the five members of the Center Council.

All Pinedale residents, 16 years of age and over, will be allowed to participate in the election.

The plan was unanimously approved by 50 who attended the meeting. Nominating committees elected in each block were requested to turn in names of (Page 2, Column 1, Please)

MUMPS CHICKEN POX CLAIM 7 PATIENTS

Diseases usually limited to younger set claim the majority of hospital patients admitted during the week to Hospital C. Five cases of mumps and two of chicken pox are reported.

Other patients confined to Hospital A since arrival are Mrs. M. Kawahara, back injury; Tsune Kizura, paralytic stroke; Elaine Abe, throat ailment and Mrs. I. Matsunawa, prostration.

Mrs. Y. Hamakami and Fuao Kunugi are confined at Fresno General Hospital from the Center.

CANDIDATES FOR BLOCK ELECTION ANNOUNCED

Groundwork for next week's Center election rapidly took place as nominating committees in Blocks A, B, D and E selected their candidates. Block C is still uninhabited.

Meeting Wednesday night under the chairmanship of Ed Natori, Block D was the first to submit their candidates for councilmen.

Candidates selected were: Issei--F. Fukuda, S. Hori, Joe Takashita, Frank Watanabe and Chiho Tomita. Nisei--Frank Nakanishi, George Takota, Ed Natori, Fred Okimoto, James Matsuo, Iku Nishikawa, Mae Natori, Margaret Fukami and M. Kawahara.

Block A's candidates are: Issei--Mac Makiyama, C. Arai and H. Kadoyama. Nisei--Ema O'konogi, Yosh Arai, Charles Furuta, Alice Shimoyama, Henry Tsubota, Harry Hamada, Mary Hori, Ichi Hasegawa, Mas Marita, Harold Niura, George Kadoyama, Gen Abe, Mae Nakanishi, Yasu Sumida, Dick Takara and G. T. Watanabe.

Candidates for Block E are: Issei--The Rev. S. Nira, Dr. M. Kuki, George Tamaka, S. Fukui, T. Seto

M. Hashimoto, Fred Korin, Y. Taniguchi, T. Fujii and S. Kubo. Nisei--Ted Nakamura, Kaz Yamano, Fred Takeuchi, Tsuyoshi Nakamura, George Nakac, Sue Matsushiro, Mrs. Mikami, Kiyoshi Hoshida, Mae Kawai and George Ishioka.

Block B candidates are: Issei--S. Asai, The Rev. I. Inouye, H. Nakamura, G. Rikasaki, S. Nagai, A. Hariki, Y. Fujii; Mesdames S. Esui, I. Inouye, Y. Michi, and G. Tsuji. Nisei--Takeo Yoshihara, Dan Sakahara, Akio Ohashi, Kuroo Yoshimori, Mark Sato, Shin Itami, Ray Yasui, Yukie Katoyama and Betty Inamoto.

PINEDALE QUOTA PASSES HALF MARK

With the induction of 448 evacuees from Tacoma, Washington last Wednesday, Pinedale's population was increased to 2,593.

As the Logger went to press Friday, 451 evacuees were inducted, increasing Pinedale's population to 3044. Committees represented are Bothell, Kirkland, Green Lake, Bellevue, Seattle, Tacoma, and Snoqualmie, Washington.

One-half of Pinedale's 200 barracks are already filled. The Center has enough accommodations for 5,000. This quota should be filled by the middle of next week as hundreds of evacuees are daily being inducted into the Center. (Page 2, Column 2, Please)

CAFE OPEN WITH CAPACITY BUSINESS

Heralding an average of 40 bottles of pop per minute for 120 minutes, the Center canteen, Block B-31, completed a capacity business for its brief opening day Thursday afternoon. A six-day supply of soft drinks, with cola topping the list, orangeade and root beer following in popularity quenched the thirst of some 2,500 people. Orange double popsicle was the favorite in the ice cream division and 702 ice cream bars and popsicles were dispersed within the limited two hour period.

Within 45 minutes, 500 coupon books--\$1250 worth-- (Page 3, Column 2, Please)

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LAST RITES FOR MRS. HIRASAWA HELD

Mr. T. Hirasawa and family wish to express their appreciation of sympathy extended them by many of the Center residents in their recent bereavement.

Funeral services for Mrs. Masaya Hirasawa, the first fatality of Pinedale Center, who succumbed suddenly from cerebral hemorrhage at Fresno General Hospital last Monday, took place in Fresno, Wednesday afternoon in the presence of the immediate family. Benediction was given by The Rev. Rankin of the First Methodist Church of Fresno.

Memorial services for Mrs. Hirasawa were held in Assembly Hall, E-9, Thursday, 8 p.m. with The Rev. Isaac Inouye officiating.

Mrs. Hirasawa, born in Nagano, Japan, came to Hood River, Oregon, 28 years ago, and until her evacuation to Pinedale Center, May 14, was a permanent resident there. She was member of the Japanese Methodist Church and Ladies Society.

Surviving the deceased are husband, Tomoichi Hirasawa; and three daughters, Mrs. Mary Fujimoto, Lillian and Jean Hirasawa.

WAKE ABOUT ELECTION

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 qualified candidates for the coming election by Friday night.

That the coming block elections would be full of significance was pointed out by King in his address before the group Wednesday night.

"Your earnest participation in the coming elections will demonstrate your faith in Democracy," King told the group, stressing the fact that the voters take the matter in all seriousness.

"The problem of self-government facing this Center is one unique in history. How well the problem is solved depends solely upon the members of the Center," King continued.

"We are bound to make mistakes," the Service Director said. "But the important thing is to set up a machinery of social control which will allow the maximum freedom for the inhabitants of the Center under existing conditions.

"I have never seen better sports. The Japanese here have more than justified my faith in the Nisei. I will extend every effort to assist in establishing the best conditions possible under the situation," King said, in paying tribute to the evacuees.

Fred P. Hauck, Center manager, also addressed the group. Hauck pointed out the two paramount problems in any Center was that of food and health.

"We want the people here to be well fed," Hauck said. "The administration will furnish the food up to the set limit. It is up to the evacuees themselves to furnish the cooks.

Hauck gave welcome news

CENTER POPULATION

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 Represented at Pinedale thus far are 11 communities from Washington, Oregon and California. The largest group consists of 981 evacuees from White River valley in Washington. Included within this group are the communities of Kent, Sunnydale, South Park, Bryn Mawr and Bellevue. 866 evacuees from Tacoma, Washington comprise the next largest group. 549 are from Hood River and The Dalles, Oregon. Vashon and Kinrston, Washington are represented by 160 Japanese. Californians in the Center number 37 native sons from Fresno and San Francisco.

The Center was first populated when 37 Californians, composed mainly of the medical staff and their families, arrived on May 8. On May 10, the first delegation from White River, Washington, numbering 132, arrived. 460 White Riverites were inducted on May 12 and 389 more on May 13. 549 Oregonians moved into the Center on May 14.

On Monday, 180 evacuees from Kitsap County, Washington saw their first view of Pinedale. Tuesday morning found 418 Tacomans winding their way through the induction building. The remaining 448 Tacoma evacuees were greeted by the sun on Wednesday.

to the group as he stated that the Center residents would soon be off the Army "B" ration, with fresh vegetables, meat, and fruit to grace mess hall tables. Other improvements cited by Manager Hauck were screening of roads and improving the outdoor latrines.

INOCULATIONS HELD

Typhoid inoculations and smallpox vaccinations were given to 385 residents in Block D, Sunday; 704 persons in Block D were given same treatments Tuesday and 691, Thursday.

At present, Hospital A is receiving center for all cases, Hospital C isolation ward. Serious cases are referred to Fresno General Hospital.

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SAW-DUST

by G.T. WATANABE

THE LOGGER IS BORN

AMIDST the scramble and confusion of 3,044 souls striving to adjust themselves to a totally new environment, the Pinedale Logger emits a healthy howl and bounces forth from the back room of the Information office to make its initial bow before the citizenry of the recently-populated and ever-expanding Center.

As the population of Pinedale grows day by day, and as the once-thriving lumber yard becomes filled with 5,000 evacuees, the need for a newspaper will be acutely and urgently felt. The Logger will earnestly endeavor to fill the journalistic needs of the community.

The name of the paper was not conceived through an attack of homesickness on the part of the editorial staff for the evergreen states of Washington and Oregon. Nor, was it an act of whimsy, reflecting on the dry dust and the broiling sun of the Sunny South. The Logger was so named on the helpful suggestion of Ed Barclay, who works in the accounting department. From Ed we learned that the eighty acres that is now the Center site was formerly utilized as a lumber yard. Past where the warehouses and the cotton compress now stand is the sawmill town of Pinedale, from which the camp derives its name. Today, Pinedale is a town of 500; at its peak, a decade or so ago, it was a thriving, bustling town of 4,000 sawmill workers and their families. Thereby hangs the tale.

LIFE IS WHAT WE MAKE IT

LIFE here at Pinedale can be exactly what we choose to make it. We can make for ourselves here a harmonious and pleasant community, by friendly and sane cooperation with our neighbors and the Center administration. Or, we can create a monstrous hell, by petty bickering, by narrow-minded intolerance of other people's rights and by allowing ourselves to be possessed by self-pity.

True, we lack many of the comforts and luxuries to which we have been accustomed back home. But conditions, as they now exist in the Center, are much better than many of us expected prior to our arrival here. The first impression one gathers on arriving at the Center is the kindness and the respectful consideration shown to the evacuees by the Center officials.

The Center officials deserve the undying gratitude of Pinedale's inductees for their strenuous work in trying to provide for a pleasant a life as possible under existing conditions. Day and night

the administration is laboring under terrific pressure. There is so much to do and what time and facilities they have is not sufficient to accomplish all that they have in mind.

Pinedale is going thru its first throes of birth. Things are bound to be hectic and unorganized during the first few weeks. Almost daily hundreds of inductees are arriving, adding to the reddening scene. But, as the smoke of the first weeks of confusion clears away and order and efficiency established, the Center will come of age as a well-knit, smooth-working community.

It is up to the members of the Center themselves to determine whether we shall live with one another in peace and harmony and make life at Pinedale as pleasant as possible. We can do so only by maintaining friendly cooperation with both our neighbors and the Center administration.

Let us all work toward making Pinedale an orderly community of 5,000 good neighbors.

MORE ABOUT CANTEEN.

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were sold out as reported by Edwin W. Barclay, canteen cashier in charge of book distribution. However, a replenished supply of these books are again selling at \$2.50 with equivalent amount of coupons in the book. According to Harry Thurston, Center store supervisor, cash payments will not be accepted for purchases and loose coupons detached from the book before purchase are valueless and will not be redeemable. Persons or families financially unable to purchase these coupon books are requested to apply to George H. King, director of Service Division at the Information office, A-4 No. 2, and if it is determined that the family or individual is unable to purchase books and that the articles sold at the canteen are required for the family or individual, books will be issued without cost. Although there will be a limit to books issued gratis, no limit is placed on the purchase of these coupon books and as long as these books are on hand, they will be sold to individuals in the Center.

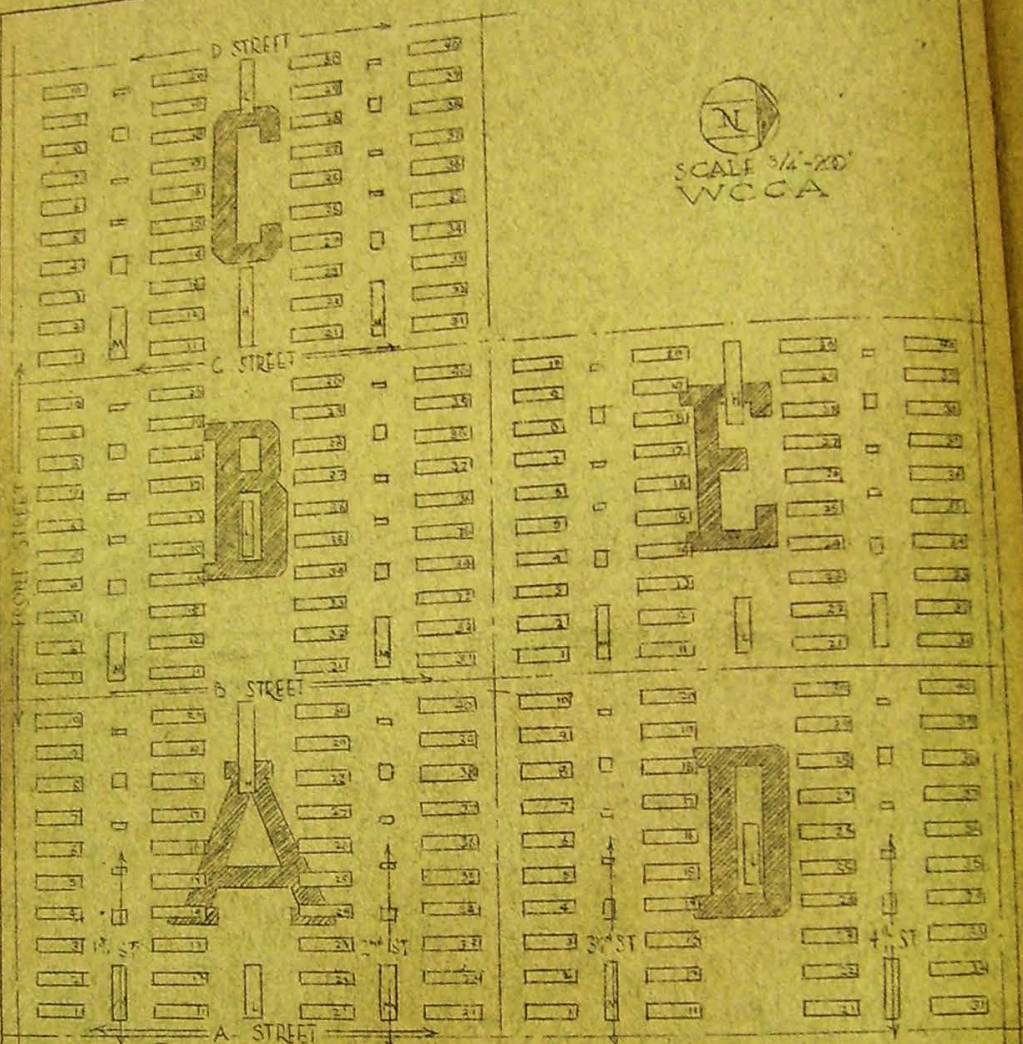
Thurston announces that magazines, fruits, drug goods and pastry will be sold at a later date. Watches, cigarettes, tobacco, and tobacco paper are on sale.

The canteen will be open tentatively from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with plans under way to keep the place open for business during evenings.

KEEP CENTER CLEAN

To aid Center sanitation, Pinedale citizens are asked to avoid throwing rubbish and wrappers out on the thoroughfares. Garbage cans are placed at regular intervals throughout the Center for disposal of refuse.

PINEDALE AT A GLANCE



PINEDALE ASSEMBLY CENTER

PINEDALE CALIFORNIA

T. NISHIMURA

Pinedale Assembly Center is located eight miles directly north of Fresno. The 269 buildings which comprise the Center are spread out over an area of eighty acres and were completed in two weeks. The site on which the camp is now situated was leased from the Valley Cotton Compress Company by the Government. A decade or so ago, the land was used as a lumber

yard by the Sugar Pine Lumber Company.

The 269 buildings are comprised of the following:

Apartment Building	200
Mess Halls	10
Toilets	30
Wash Room	20
Laundries	5
Hospitals	3
Administration Bldg.	1
Total	269

The boundaries of this Center are as follows:

Not less than 15 feet inside of the fences on the North, South and East. The boundary on the west end of the Center will be 100 feet from the last buildings with the exception of the Northwest Corner, which will be open for recreational facilities.