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Pioneer

Explanation from the Hospital Regarding the Cave Collapse Incident

When the cave near 11K collapsed days earlier, the police and the fire department immediately arrived at the scene after receiving the emergency alert and had given emergency treatments, however, the hospital did not respond and three unconscious children were transported to the hospital by the police, and such negligence by the hospital upset not only 11K residents but also people who know what had happened.

According to Jiro Kamayatsu who first reported the incident, he called the fire department and then the hospital, and it is recorded that the call to the fire department chief was at 2:45.

Due to the fact that the following call was made to the hospital, it seems that the hospital received a call between 2:45 and 2:50.

According to an interview with Dr. Carstarphen, chief of the hospital, the hospital heard about the incident and the need for an ambulance around 3:00pm, and at the time one ambulance was dispatched out and the other was in front of the hospital, so they ordered the driver to send the ambulance to the scene, but the driver told them that it was not drivable due to mechanical failure. The ambulance had just come back from the repair and maintenance department, so the chief did not believe that the ambulance was not drivable and he tried to drive it by himself, however he found that the clutch was broken. In the meantime, outpatient reception called the police to ask for a car; captain Takada responded immediately and hurried to the hospital and while he was moving gurneys and oxygen tanks to the police car, the unconscious children arrived at the hospital by police car. "It was 3:10pm." In addition, the hospital added the following regarding the broken-down ambulance.

"It was found later that the ambulance located in front of the hospital was sent to the repair and maintenance department but it was sent back on April 21st because it was not fixable as they had difficulty finding parts, and it was left in front of the hospital."

Grants for the Family of Volunteers

According to reports coming to Pioneers, wives and children of soldiers who are leaving from Amache will receive a cash grant to cover their immediate living needs and traveling expenses. According to the WRA regulation, the maximum grant amounts are \$50 for the head of a household and \$50 for two or more of the family members for train fare (coach.)

It is required that the recipients of the grant be residents in need of immediate financial support for necessary living expenses upon arrival at their destination. Applicants for the grant must submit records that show their cash reserves and their income from the last six months along with the application.

The forms can be obtained at the outside employment office. There is no need for the entire family member to be present in order to receive the grant; the \$50 grant will be given to one family member.

Also, up to two other family members may receive maximum \$25 each.

7G Gambling House Raid

7G gambling house was raided by Police Chief Tomlinson again, and the trial held on April 29th at the Lamar court. A 71 year old lady was found guilty with 90 days of punishment by imprisonment or curtailment of civil liberties, and \$200 fine. Five others were also found guilty and each of them sentenced to serve 30 days of punishment by imprisonment or curtailment of civil liberties, or \$50 fine.

Congressman Rankin's Personal Opinion

Congressman Rankin from Mississippi stated his own opinion that "to have Nisei from Hawaii in the armed forces is awful and a serious mistake for the US." He also mentioned it was reasonable to have Japanese Americans who belonged to a fifth column and performed secret mission before the Pearl Harbor attack to be used as labor instead of giving them military trainings.

Editorial

In his public statement, General DeWitt strongly stated that Japanese must not return to the west coast under current conditions. In his speech, he stated his extreme opinion that said!! A Jap's a Jap – it makes no difference whether he is an American citizen or not!!

Our first reaction to his extreme view was a fury that such an inappropriate statement would come from a General, who is in a position of significant responsibility to direct three armed forces. The following thought was pity!! What a pathetic person!!

As soon as the Army recanted its error regarding Nisei's draft and released opportunity to serve in the armed forces, the General openly opposed to the idea. However, within a week, he had granted permissions to Nisei soldiers free access to the western Army base for vacation, compliant to the army's rules- making him look spineless and foolish. The general's words and actions show that he is busy trying to correct the mistakes in

relocating all Japanese, which American people are starting to think was a mistake.

In the past, as soon as the back county relocation issue was brought up, a group of people who are pushing tight finance for their own interest made him hurry to make decisions. Now, instead of acknowledging his own mistakes, his words and actions try to hide what he had done, which will only make him an object of ridicule. I cannot help but pity him in this difficult circumstance.

Over 2571 People Left the Relocation Centers

Associated Press reporter John Ward reported that the number of Japanese who left the relocation centers after receiving indefinite leave from each center to find employment in the cities in the East and Midwest was over 2571. Additionally 2942 people have newly received their permits and are ready to leave. It also provides the opinion of George Katada who had relocated and currently works in Denver at the National War Labor Board Administrative Division. He said "The current re-employment program is very beneficial for us. I mean, we receive equal treatments in America which is much better than any rhetoric, therefore I am ready to do my best here. "

A factory in Denver that used to manufacture tools for chicken farming is now manufacturing gunpowder bales, and twenty eight Japanese workers are employed there. A few Nisei Japanese female nurses are currently working at Colorado General Hospital as well, the report says.

General DeWitt Praised

April 12th Washington news bulletin

In the Congress, which is in session now, upon hearing the report that a American pilot had been shot by the Japanese government, everybody expressed their fury and the session was in a great uproar. As one example, Tennessee Senator Steward!! He branded the Japanese as yellow devils!! And he voiced his extremist idea that all Japanese on American soil should be taken into custody and the citizenship of Japanese Americans should be stripped away.

Also, the same senator stated that he trusts what General DeWitt said, and he believes that history will provide the evidence that will absolutely satisfy all American citizens.

In this case, he concluded that American citizens does not include Japanese, who are quite untrustworthy and seen as lawless.

Name Changes Became Popular Among Nisei Hawaiians

Honolulu news bulletin

Among Hawaiian born Japanese Americans, approximately 2400 Nisei applied to the

government to change their Japanese names to English-sounding names. That is because, only new names are acknowledged once the original names on the birth certificates are legally processed by the armed forces. Many Nisei got their English names (not family names) during high school, however they had not made them official. Although not many had changed their family names, in rare cases, "Ouchi" changed to "Ching", "Watanabe" to "Miller", and "Oda" to "McGregor".

Colonel Wilson Highly Praised the Hospital

The Washington WRA office attache Colonel Wilson completed a tour of inspection to the hospital, warehouse, and the fire department, etc. and he said he was impressed that each section was very well managed. He especially praised the hospital as being clean and well-organized just like army hospitals.

Amache Scout Summer House Plan

The center's scout office has been looking into the summer house training for this coming summer. The summer house is in New Mexico, 200 miles south of the center and the cost of accommodation is expected to be around \$1 per day. The current food issue is preventing the plan to move forward; however, once things are figured out, details will be reported to parents and we will ask for their thoughts, said one involved.

Center's Upcoming Entertainment

As a result of a meeting between the police, the recreation department, and each block manager, as requested by the block managers, it is decided that any permit for entertainment event within the center will be managed by each block manager starting May 1st. Therefore, requests for any permits for entertainment should be applied directly to block managers in the future. In addition, venues are going to be tightly managed by the police in the future.

Needed at the Hospital

Although the center hospital has started offering training for nurse helpers, it still does not have enough help. Anyone who is interested in training should apply to Alma Folda, the Chief Nurse.

The hospital also needs janitors (male). Anyone interested may apply directly to the hospital.

Katsumi Arimoto Joined Pioneer

Katsumi Arimoto, an editor of Amache scout office's monthly journal "Reverie" and the 162nd platoon second lieutenant, joined Pioneer as a reporter to share his excellent skills.

Donations from Kubo and Tsushima

To commemorate their daughter's marriage, 9E resident Mr. and Mrs. Kubo donated money to 9E. Yutaka Tsushima, the groom, also did the same. Residents in 9E are all thankful.

Cambridge Art Exhibit Submission

Art work submission deadline for the art exhibit hosted by the Friends Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts is this Friday, as the art works need to arrive in Massachusetts by May 15th. Any art lover, professional or non-professional, can enter their work, so please bring in your pieces to the art studio at 7E.

Shipping fee will be paid by the entertainment department.

Lindley Goes to Gila

The Project Director, Lindley traveled to the Gila center last Thursday to research farm management and manpower.

Check Cashing Hour Change

Check cashing hours at the west side of Pioneer building have changed since May 1st as follows:

9 am to 11:30 am daily

Closed in the afternoon

Heroes during the War - Four Brother Volunteers

It was twenty years ago, and Toyozo Sakura had been ill for a while. As soon as he felt his life was coming to an end, he asked his four sons to come to his death bed and told them his wish: "You must feel grateful that you received lives in this land as American citizens. Therefore no matter what happens, keep your dignity and honor as citizens and be loyal to the country to which you owe your life."

Now the country is in a national emergency. The four brothers, Chester, Howard, Ted, and Kenny, who were relocated to Minidoka, all volunteered to serve in the honorable armed forces to keep their promises to their late father's last words. It is worth noting heroes' stories during war time.

Job opportunities

*Machine helper, 65 cents per hour

*Lathe machinist, 85 cents per hour

- *Nursery worker, single or married
Room and board, \$100 per month
- *Gardener and maid, Omaha
Room and board, \$100 per month
- *Tool making and maintenance worker, must be experienced
\$1.35 per hour
- *Motor lathe machinist, Chicago
95 cents per hour, must be experienced
- *Dinner cook, Hurley City
\$20 per week, meals included
- *Experienced dry cleaners
 - Five spatters, \$1.10 per hour
 - Five steam cleaners, over \$1 per hour
 - Ten female pressers, over 70 cents per hour
 - Five embroiderers (female), 60-85 cents per hour
 - Five dry cleaners, \$1.10 per hour
 - Twenty pressers (male), \$1 per hour Other help 50 cents per hour

All above in Detroit
- *Two tractor operators
\$3 per day, room and board plus meals
\$6 per day during harvest

Loosen Up Outside Permit Issuance Suspension

The center's Assistant Project Director, Harbison announced the center will partially lift the temporary suspension of issuing outside permits for leaving the center. Outside permits without expiration date [Indefinite leave permits] and work permits will be issued as before, however, permits for visiting Lamar, Granada, and other nearby cities will not be issued unless it is an emergency.

Project Farm Update

- *The center's chief of agriculture and industry, John Spencer assumed his new post last Saturday. Prior chief Bennison moved to the WRA Denver division.
- *The project farm already sowed potato seeds on 77 acres of farmland. It is preparing to sow new vegetable seeds such as broccoli and green onions along with other vegetables.
- *Livestock section purchased 50 cattle recently.
- *The wheat field is being plowed now. The alfalfa field has been irrigated and fences built

around it.

Sporting Goods Purchase Arrangement

The center's recreation department has been encouraging organizations to purchase sporting goods. When you make a purchase, find vendors where goods can be purchased at the wholesale prices.

Special Meal Pass Renewal

According to the announcement of the mess operation office, special meal passes, which were issued to employees of the center's each department, have been void as of last Friday. If you wish your meal pass to be reissued, please come to the said office to renew.

Memorial Donations

Shiro Takemura donated to the following organizations as a part of the memorial service for the late Paul Takemura:

- South Granada Christian Church \$10
- Granada Buddhist Temple \$7
- Church of Christ \$15
- Granada Judo Club \$5
- Boy Scout \$3
- Sunday school \$3

*Lost Item: Anyone who found a chisel/potato knife, please report it to the police. 11H Yamamoto

Gratitude for those who attended the funeral

Paul passed away due to an unexpected tragedy; when we had his funeral, many people not only came during their busy schedule but also kindly gave us condolence money and flowers. Thank you very much.

We would sincerely prefer to visit and thank in person to every one of you; however, as we have much business to take care of, we regretfully must express our deepest gratitude on paper.

April 30th

Chief Mourner	Father	Shiro Takemura
	Mother	Shige
	Elder brother	Sizuo

Elder Brother	Susumu	
Elder Sister	Hideko	
Younger Brother	Kiyoshi	
Representative on behalf of relatives		Saburo Takemura
Representative on behalf of friends		Yonetaro Shigekuni
Representative on behalf of 11K residents		Yasutoshi Yoshizawa

Message of Gratitude

We could not be more grateful for your generous help and tremendous support during Paul Takemura's unexpected tragedy.

April 30th All residents of 11K

Granada Christian Church

*May 2nd at South Church (10H)

一、 Bible study The Gospel of John
9am Reverend Yamashika

一、 Morning service 9:50am
Led by Rev. Kuzuhara

Sermon Rev. Yahiro
Title "Resurrection"

一、 Evening service
Led by Rev. Kuzuhara
Title "Great salvation"

一、 May 5th 7:30pm
Prayer meeting led by Rev. Yamashika

*May 2nd at North Church (7H)

一、 Bible study 9am
Colossians Rev. Haratani

一、 Morning Service 9:50am
Led by Rev. Mizukami
Sermon Title "Undecided" Rev. Wagatsuma

一、 Evening Service 7:30pm
Led by Rev. Yoshioka
Title "Undecided"

一、 Wednesday, May 5th 7:30pm
Prayer meeting led by Rev. Haratani

Nichiren Buddhism Meeting

Every Sunday 9am

At 11H recreation hall

Sermon Jitei Ishihara

"Improving your actions"