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SALINAS ASSEMBLY CENTER, SALINAS

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"HELLO, ARIZONA!" (SO LONG, CALIFORNIA)

"THE LAST ROUND-UP OF TALENTS"

With the first contingent of residents ready to leave Sunday morning for the relocation site in Arizona, others scheduled to leave on subsequent days are rushing to make necessary arrangements to leave Salinas.

The movement will begin at 11:00 a. m. for five hundred persons at the same hour each day until the movement is completed.

Residents are requested to clean their apartments to minimize the task for those men who are remaining to clean the Center.

Government issued items such as maps, brooms, silverware, blankets and bulbs be returned promptly.

Fire extinguishers will be collected after the occupants leave.

Baggage should be securely wrapped and tagged with the family name and the original family number given before evacuation. They will be transported by trucks on day preceding movement to the depot. Beddings will be collected the same morning of the movement.

Small packages and luggage will be given to the infirmed and mothers with babies under two years.

Breakfast and lunch for group leaving will be served at 6:30 a.m. and 10:00 am. No boxes will be provided for each member of the family.

TRAIN CAPTAINS APPOINTED

Train captains appointed to take charge on the trains are:

- June 28 ----- Chikara Iwamoto
- 29 ----- Yonezo Ichikawa
- 30 ----- William Shirachi
- July 1 ----- Dr. Frank H. Ito
- 2 ----- John F. Urabe
- 3 ----- Zenshiro Tachibana
- 4 ----- Kenzo Yoshida

Before thousands of residents of this Center, talented young people and accomplished musicians paraded their talents in the grand finale program presented by the Recreation Department Sunday afternoon in the arena.

John Yamauchi and Yonezo Gota arranged the program which was announced by Dr. Harry Kita who acted as "emcee."

The Center Council arranged the services for the public address system which contributed to the enjoyment of the program.

The entertainment was opened with the Center band playing the "Star Spangled Banner." Mrs. Chizu Iwanaga, music supervisor, directed.

The band played martial music and overtures and each selection was dedicated to the various administrative divisions of the Center.

Vocal numbers were rendered by Uta Shimotsuka, Edwin Matsuura, Bob Takiguchi, Sachiye Endo, Tom Masamori, Grace and Clara Nakamura, Sada Onoye. Harmonica solos were given by Fred Yoshioka, Dick Maruyama and Frank Masamori.

Duets by Grace and Marian Masui, Mitsui Shimotsuka and Tom Masamori were enjoyed.

Jayne Miyake's monologue added the light touch to the entertainment which was well received. The Church Choir led by Virginia Sabata sang two negro spirituals.

Hot-cats, John Kado (drummer) and James Mizazaki, clarinet player, staged an informal jam session. Old-time favorites were played by the string orchestra composed of Frank Masamori, Yonezo Gota, Sam Ogawa and Willie Kanai.

Special solos were given by Tony Matsuda, violin; Art Izumizaki, clarinet; Paul Yamaguchi, trombone; John Nakahara, flute; Edith Arita, violin.



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CENTERPIECE



MR. AND MRS. SAKUMA JO

Mrs. Sakuma, former Tatsuko Joan Matsushita, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kiyokichi Matsushita of Salinas. Mr. Jo is from San Francisco.

ALTAR-BOUND

Altar-bound and all a-dither are Yaeko Endo and Misaku Yamaguchi, both of Watsonville.

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MORE ON TALENT SHOW

Tom Miyazaki and Yoneo Gota entertained with trumpet duet. Saxophone trio composed of John Fujikawa, Ben Tada and Shigeo Nakai rendered a selection.

A bit of the old classic was contributed by the shakuhachi players who were Mr. Oda, Mr. Sakashita, Mr. Nakawatase.

Cladys Onoye and Harumi Nagase were the piano accompanists while Frank Masamori accompanied Edwin Matsuura, Dick Maruyama on his guitar.

The center band played "God Bless America." and the program was brought to a fitting climax with a community singing of Auld Lang Syne.

The recreation department received big credit for arranging the entertainment.

PHOTOGRAPHERS FILM CENTER ACTIVITIES

To establish photographic records of the Salinas Assembly Center, the Signal Corp of the United States Army visited here Wednesday and Thursday to "shoot" the activities of this Center.

Outdoor activities were shot from the stadium where it overlooks the arena, the center of athletic program. Later the cameras were seen "rolling" in the vicinity of the clinic and the infirmaries. Doctors, nurses and their aides made special trips before the cameras.

Other points of interests photographed by the army were the mess halls, the Post Exchange, library, music room, nursery and the elementary schools and the office of the Interior Guard.

The shooting was directed by Captain Lloyd.

SERVICE DIVISION HAS ELABORATE DINNER

Elaborately cartooned decorations added to the gay festivities of the dinner-dance staged by the Service Division in the Reception Hall Thursday night.

Favors were highlighted by miniatures in sports equipment. Kenzo Yoshida presided as the master of ceremonies.

Entertainment was contributed by the host group. Special guests were present.

GUARDS HOLD STEAK FEAST

With red, white & blue streamers decorating the hall, the Interior Guards enjoyed a farewell steak dinner "blow-out" on Wednesday night at their headquarters.

George Imai acted as the toastmaster.

Captain Clarence D. Lee gave a short talk in the half of his staff. Honorary guest, Leo C. Wade, former member of the staff, a Harold Keagle, officer, made speeches.

Representing the Interior Guards, Yoshio Tokushige responded.

Frank Masamori entertained the guests with piano numbers.

Later the guards' dates joined the boys for the dancing which followed.

The ten-piece Center orchestra provided the music.

ON TO ARIZONA DANCES, PARTIES CONTINUE

Cleverly designed bids welcomed the special guests of the Carpenters who enjoyed the hospitality of the hosts at the gala 'Last Drive' dinner and social in Kitchen "D" Thursday evening.

Doc Kita served as "emcee". Special vocal numbers were given by Sachie Endo, Tomio Takeshita and Mr. Sakashita rendered shakuhachi selections.

Music for the dance was provided by the 10-piece Center Orchestra.

California and Arizona scenes were effectively used for decorations at the Time-Keepers dance held in Kitchen "C" Monday night. George Sakamoto and Tommy Yagi were co-chairmen.

Kitchen "E" was the scene for "E" and "F" staff dance held Tuesday night. Colorful paper streamers were used in the decorations. Akira Noguchi emceed.

Swingsters, Mess Crew of "C" and "D" were hosts to 150 couples at its social in Kitchen D Wednesday night. Green and yellow streamers, balloons and leis for the ladies added to the enjoyment.

The Field Office sponsored a dinner-dance Friday night at "C" kitchen. The dinner was exclusive, and the dance was invitational. Harry Nakahara chairman.

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EDITORIAL

The exodus to Arizona begins Sunday morning.

People from all walks of life have transposed their industriousness & ability to make this Center a happy community. To that end the carpenters, cooks, bakers, laborers, truck drivers, mess unit workers, hospital staffs, janitors, firemen, guards have given big services.

All this is a small portion of our hardest working citizenry who should be commended for their fine spirit and willingness who contributed to the successful operation of this Center.

We have had here in the Center what we created for ourselves. The Service Division with the cooperation of Mr. L. Lueddeke provided an administrative channel through which the residents organized and expressed themselves in activities of self-government, recreation, health and sanitation, religious worship, education and information.

We have tasted the fruit of splendid organizational work, coordinated and cooperative efforts of united endeavors. Let's take the values which have grown out of this cooperation and transplant it to our new home in Arizona where we will be re-located for the duration.

The residents extend to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Rose and to the administrative force who have been considerate and patient, their heartfelt gratitude.

The happy communal life we have enjoyed in our stay here is a reflection of the Administration.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE VARIOUS DIVISIONS OF THE CENTER:

Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Salinas Assembly Center Council, I wish to express my utmost gratitude and sincere appreciation for what your departments have done for the welfare and betterment of the Center.

During our two months here, we the Council, have done all we could to act as "go between" for the residents and the Administration. On each occasion you have responded promptly and cooperated with us wholeheartedly.

It was through your cooperation that we were able to build up an ideal and peaceful village in such a short time.

Although we wish to remain here, we must move to our new Center. I can assure in advance that we will give our full cooperation and hope to start immediately where we are leaving off here.

Again, I wish to express my deepest appreciation.

Respectfully yours,

SALINAS ASSEMBLY CENTER COUNCIL
Sgd. Dr. Harry Y. Kita, Chairman

OPEN FORUM HELD

Councilmen and monitors met in Kitchen B Wednesday night to discuss procedure of transfer of residents to the relocation area.

Mr. Rose addressed the Council and representatives and expressed his appreciation for the cooperation he has received. In behalf of the residents, Dr. H. Kita presented Mr. and Mrs. Rose with a token of appreciation for their kindness.

"THIRTY"

The paper will be suspended indefinitely with this issue earmarked "30".

"QUOTES"

"No one is entirely useless. Even the worst of us can serve as horrible examples."

"MED" STAFF ENJOYS DINNER

Clinic and medical staff and their guests enjoyed a China Washi affair in the Reception hall Friday night.

Infirmity paraphernalias were featured in the place-cards.

Doc Kita presided. Talks were made by the heads of the divisions on down to messengers.

The string "ork" entertained. Uta Shimotsuka and Clara Nakamura sang. Dancing followed which was enjoyed by 100 couples.

COOKS' NIGHT OFF

To show the appreciation of the work of the cooks in the Center, the Council sponsored a "thank you" party Friday night in the A Kitchen.

Elaborate entertainment was provided. The food was prepared and served by a voluntary committee.



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HOW THEY STAND IN THE FINALS

National	W	L
Interior Guards	6	0
Post Exchange	3	2
Recreational	3	3
Field Office	3	3
Dough Boys	2	5
Skill Crew	2	3
Transportation	0	5

American	W	L	T
Administration	5	1	
Laborers	4	1	1
Firemen	4	2	
Carpenters	3	3	
Infirmary	3	3	
Warehouse	1	4	1
Old Timers	0	6	

Kitchen	W	L
Swingsters	11	1
B	10	2
F	6	6
A	5	6
S	4	7
H	4	8
C	1	11

BATTING HONOR NOTES

Willie Wakayama, Recreational shortstop, whose 7 hits in 9 trips for the last two games, boosted his average to surpass last weeks leader, Charles Onoye. S. Wada climbed 8th to 3rd. In the American, W. Iwami remains as the top hitter, although teammate Kato leads with a .600 average from only 2 games.

In the kitchen Sho Nakamoto continued to occupy the No. 1 spot altho his .600 of last week dropped to .470. Latest replacers on the upper berth are Kikuchi, Nakazaki, Wada, Ariyoshi, Shintani, Kadani.

SISTEROTTES WIN TWILIGHT GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TITLE

As predicted the Sisterotte Volleyball team showed their heels to the rest of the field to win their league. Trailing the undefeated champions were the Nursemaids whose twin setbacks were by the Sisterottes.

In the kitchen class the F girls defeated the "H" waitresses 15-12, 15-12 in a hard fought contest which determined the title.

The girls from Kitchen "D" after a poor start came through with a whirling finish to land in second place with the pace-setting "H" outfit. Unlike the twilight league, competition in the kitchen division was much keener, especially between the top four teams.

The hard-socking Swingsters cinced the mess hall pennant last Tuesday, when they trounced "A" 14-3, but the following morning the contending "B" ten shut out the Champs 3 to 0 to mar their perfect record of no defeats. Hisatomi, who broke his own record with 11 strike-outs in a 5-3 win over F, issued numerous free passes to demoralize B team which led to Swings' downfall.

In the National circuit the powerhouse Guards kept their slate unmarred by walloping the cellar Transportation outfit 14-1 to win their division easily. PX, although in second place, did not complete their schedule with the Dough boys in a postponed tilt while the Skill Crew-Transportation game has been under protest. Recreational and Field Office who completed their games can be classed as runner-ups along with P.X.

In a hectic race the winners of the American league was decided last night as the Administration defeated the Warehouse 7-6 in an abbreviated game as the last two bats were broken in the 6th inning. The losers were leading 6 to 2 before the Ad boys began rallying. Prior to that game the Laborers were ahead in the league.

1	Willie Wakayama (Rec)	.558
2	Charles Onoye (FO)	.444
3	Shig Wada (SC)	.438
4	Leonard Ueki (Rec)	.421
5	John Urabe (Rec)	.417
6	York Asami (G)	.417
7	Shig Morimune (G)	.389
8	Fred Ishimaru (SC)	.375
9	Tar Shirachi (FO)	.357
10	Toru Asada (PX)	.357

American

1	Kato (C)	.600
2	W. Iwami (C)	.545
3	L. Urabe (Cl)	.474
4	Tokushige (Cl)	.445
5	Nishioka (Lab)	.423
6	G. Obana (WH)	.423
7	H. Takata (WH)	.421
8	T. Hashimoto (WH)	.412
9	Higashioka (A)	.400
10	G. Obata (A)	.385

Kitchen

1	Sho Nakamoto (B)	.470
2	Kikuchi (G)	.447
3	T. Nakazaki (Sw)	.441
4	Yosh Wada (G)	.389
5	S. Ariyoshi (H)	.388
6	Shintani (Sw)	.383
7	Otis Kadani (B)	.368
8	Mate Eto (B)	.362
9	Izumizaki (F)	.361
10	J. Kametani (F)	.361

(Note: Other batters names are posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board.)

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL STANDING

Kitchen	W	L
F	8	2
H	7	3
D	7	3
E	4	4
A	2	8
G	1	9

Twilight

Sisterottes	6	0
Nursemaids	4	2
Panhandlers	1	4
Office Crew	0	5