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FAIR CLOSES IN BLAZE OF GLORY

ATTENDANCE HIT 16,000 MARK

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ACTION ADVISED FOR AGRICULTURE BY MATHIESEN

Poston farmers and agriculturalists should stop talking and go into action in the development of the projects contemplated 20,000 acre farm, because "war prices are high prices", declared Homer A. Mathiesen, Director of Agriculture and Industry, speaking before a Sunday County Fair audience of more than 4,000 persons.

In a clear statement of the future operation of the community farms, Mr. Mathiesen pointed:

1. "Only through a well organized over-all executive committee from all three units can we expect to have our most efficient farming operations."

2. After the first 1,000 acre "managed-farm" is developed, there will be opportunity for "families or groups of families to move to assigned farms where they can live and work again as normal farmers." These farms will be from five to ten miles away.

3. Efficient operation from farms and industry in Poston will produce a surplus which can be sold to other projects or upon the open market, and profits from these sales can be placed "in a trust fund to your credit."

4. Farming operations in Poston will include vast programs in vineyards, bee keeping and the production of honey, truck gardening, production of flowers, processing of both Japanese and American foods, livestock production consisting of flocks of 30,000 laying hens, herds of

hogs of possibly 2500 head, a dairy herd with with from 300 to 1000 milking cows, beef cattle, the production of field crops and forages, of guayule, rice, herbs and spices, mushroom, squabs and other possibilities.

"It is largely on agriculture that we must build our lives here in Poston," concluded the speaker. "It will return a most certain income and is the basis on which we must build. I know we can here in Poston develop a farming area far superior to Imperial Valley."

INSTRUCTORS COURSE

Instructors course in First Aid which is being sponsored by the Red Cross was started last night in Poston II. Those who have had the beginners course are studying this and in turn will instruct First Aid to others.

POSTON FAIR DRAWS TO AN END

Three days of hilarity at the first Poston Fair ended last night after an estimated crowd of 16,000 spectators flocked to the grounds to witness the colorful event.

Competing with any county fair of its size, the usual carnival spirit reigned over the affair adding much in the way of noise and color, with the Nisei Talent Show bringing the huge event to a bang-up close.

DAILY ATTENDANCE

The largest crowd attended the fair on Sunday with approximately 8,000 people, while an estimated 5,000 were present on the opening day. Closing day added 2,000 spectators.

FOOD SOLD

The hungry people consumed enough food to feed half the people of this state when the following amount of edibles were sold, Half ton of weiners, 800 lbs of buns and doughnuts, 50 gallons of coffee, 800 tamales, 1000 tacos and 12,000 lbs of snowballs.

RECEIPTS

For Saturday and Sunday, an estimated \$4500 were received of which between \$1000 and \$1500 will be clear profit to the three Rec Units.

WAS IT A DREAM--OH, NO!

Surely I'm dreaming! No, I can't be! Ouch, it hurts, as I pinch myself.

Suddenly I realize that is actually pay day. A long-awaited thing becomes a reality.

Dashing into the mess hall, I hurriedly gulped thru breakfast of dry bread with jam and a cup of black, lukewarm coffee.

Then I made a beeline for the Blk Mgrs office, where to my horror was a line of people which seemed without an end. Evidently everyone in our section had beat me to that line.

I waited in that line --I lost track of time. Standing on one leg, then I put my weight on the other one. I stood up straight, chest out, stomach in; I leaned against a wall, I leaned against a friend. I squatted but immediately got up when a lot of curious stares shot out in my direction.

My mind wandered and so did my eyes. The line like a huge serpent wound in and out, growing longer and longer--in front of me. Instead of going to the rear the people were crowding in the front.

Finally, after what seemed an eternity, I got to the door, and walked in. A few minutes later I walked out with money in my hand, kink in my back, and a smile of relief on my face.

POSTON III PEOPLE VISIT COUNTY FAIR

Poston III was nearly vebated as hundreds of residents, young and old, piled into army trucks to visit the gals county fair on Saturday, Sunday and Monday at Poston I.

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POLICE DEPT. NEWS

Kaye Koga of the Poston III Police Department underwent an operation for appendicitis on Sunday at the Poston I hospital, it was reported today.

Policemen were among the hardest workers during the three-day fair. Three members from each squad on duty were assigned to the fair grounds. Police officers also took charge of the transportation when it was found that the older folks were unable to get rides. Everything ran smoothly when the F.D. took over.

Officers reporting late for duty are being assigned to cleanup duty.

FASHION SHOW

Latest styles to fit the life of Poston which were designed and created by Poston I, II, and III Sewing Departments were modeled by instructors and students before a crowd at Blk 22, Saturday evening. Susumu Takao was the commentator for the evening.

COOLERS FOR SALE

Anyone wishing to buy coolers or pipes please report to MAINTENANCE OFFICE AD. B ROOM 8.

Interesting exhibits, shows, shibais and sports events drew capacity crowds from every one of the three units. Poston III took a large share in the exhibits and the programs for the three-day event.

INTERESTING SIGHTS AT THE FAIR

Editor, Isao Fukuba believes that all good things come in pairs--which of the twins is his favorite?

Sus Takao-dressed to kill with a bird's eye view of the fashionettes.

Gillie and Dean, our school mams, with military escorts--Where were the marines?

Pet Nagano with a certain person from the Girls' Activities. Tots Ishida--having fits of ecstacy on seeing Maizie.

Silvia Tanaka with Police Escort.

Sign Dept twosome,--Larry and Janet.

Alice Abe and Don--the steady two.

Nobu Takusagawa--escorting his best girlfriend, Yuri.

Kats and Yasi yelling for Delano--Why?

George Furuta, with the most enviable job.

Harley Mimura of soc. Research minus wife.

Margaret Hirashima--pitching pennies with someone(?).

Karl Taku mixing pleasure with business where beauties are concerned.

Burdie surrounded by a bevy of gals.

Queen and attendants drew the biggest crowd wherever they went.

DELANO DEFEATS POSTON III ALL-STARS IN HARBALL TILT

With Lefty Nishijima pitching good ball, Delano defeated the Poston III All-stars 5-2 in a closely contested ball game.

Poston III took an early lead of 2 runs but were shut out rest of the way. Miya Miyamoto, former Monterey Minato chucked for Poston III and Lefty Nishijima, former San Eou is Obispo for Delano.

Sam Rokataní got two hits for the All-stars.

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GOV'T APPROVES SPORTS

A recent editorial, voice of an Issei, published 10-4-42, regarding athletes was worthy of passing note. In answer to K.T., I would like to state a few facts as an interested party.

His line of thinking is quite correct. But, the importance of an intelligent athletic program cannot be overlooked. In these trying war times, with the need of man-power for military needs, with the drain of workers for defense needs, our government has not forgotten the vital necessity of providing athletic activities for the men in service.

Mickey Cochrane, one of baseball's all time greats, was coaching the diamond sport at the Great Lakes Naval Station. Turning to the current football pictures, on the pacific coast, at St. Mary's, Jimmy Phelan and a picked corps of assistants are teaching the fine points of the grid game. Wallace Wade, who coached many Rose Bowl eleven, is now tutoring a picked squad of Army players.

In addition to these random examples, there are many other service teams throughout the length and breadth of the country. In each instance the mentor is an athlete; he is a master in his art. Surely, if Uncle Sam can realize the need of athletics in his huge war problem, pinched as the nation is for man power, then our community, which has even a greater morale problem should continue to encourage and to foster athletics led by athletic minded young men and young women.

by Franklyn S. Sugiyama

CONTRABAND?

To satisfy my ever growing curiosity this reporter finally gathered enough courage to explore around the newly formed Package Inspection Office for some inside fact.

Standing near the entrance I heard voices-- "Open the package up." "Why?" "It has to be inspected." "Why?" "Orders from General Dewitt." "What for?" "For contraband." "What contraband?" "Well, contraband--it could be anything." "Anything?" "What for instance?" "Short wave radios and--you know." "Well, what contraband have you found so far?" "That's a military secret." "Oh, well you won't find any in my package!" "Can't ever tell. You'll have to open it up."

Peering inside I observed seated behind a counter several people including the two husky inspectors in uniform whom I soon learned with a small degree of prying to be the dignified "General" and "Had-been Sergeants"

As I walked in with pencil and pad in hand I was given a good "once over" and upon learning that I was a reporter they made a dive for the copy of the Press Bulletin which I happened to have.

Presently an elderly man walked impatiently in and asked for his package. He grudgingly opened it and cautiously

ly displayed the articles to the scrutinizing eyes of the inspectors. He even vigorously shook the bags and wrappings for the benefit of the "General." Suddenly a pair of defiant eyes met my own and I jumped back finally realizing that I was curiously peering over the man's shoulders. He quickly picked up his dismantled package and briskly walked out without uttering a word. Presently an extremely talkative and indignant young lady came bustling in and instantly began to deliver a long lecture. "This is an outrage," she concluded, "I walked about 18 blocks to get this one sweater! When the final strains of her protesting

voice disappeared with the dusty wind I unexpectedly learned that there was a package for me. The clerk placed an enormous package before me. I slowly proceeded to open it. Out came a blouse, a dress, shirt, socks, jeans, some boots, suspenders, blankets, and red woolen underwear. Perspiration began to roll off my forehead and my face began to turn a brilliant red. I dug my hands deep into the package for I was certain there was an article missing--a--well-- Then glancing at the invoices inclosed my eyes came across these words, "This item is temporarily out of stock." What a relief. A snoop reporter was saved for the day. J.T.

POSTON 2

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GEORGE ONO APPOINTED FAIR PRACTICE CHAIRMAN; COMMISSION TO MAKE 3 REQUESTS FOR COTTON WORK

All Complaints Must Be in Writing
No Meeting Today, Due to Block Managers' Conference

George Ono, formerly in the Division of Operations, was appointed as the full-time chairman for the Fair Employment Practice Commission of Poston 2 at a meeting held Saturday in the personnel mess hall.

Under the temporary gavel-wielding of John Maeno, representative to the Commission from the community council, the group immediately got down to business and "laid down the law" in regard to complaints as follows: That all complaints must be in writing and preferably presented to the Commission in writing; and must be presented for consideration at least three days before their weekly meeting date, which has been set for Tuesday morning, 9 o'clock in the personnel mess hall.

Based on facts concerning the working conditions as offered by workers who have had experience, the labor and employment committee of the council reported on the cotton-picking situation. The Commission went on record to make the following the three requests:

1. That workers be paid a minimum of 50¢ per hour;
2. Be provided with Workmen's Compensation; and
3. That transportation be furnished to and from the fields. If these requests were made, the Commission offered to furnish local growers with at least 15 workers from Unit 2, it was reported.

Besides Maeno and Ono, the following comprises the Fair Practice Board: Sid Shiratsuki, Service and Managerial; Gladys Onoye, Clerical and Sales; Harry Shirachi, Agriculture and Horticulture; Toshio Nakagawa, Mess; Dr. Harry Kita, Professionals; and Masao Wada, Industrial.

The Commission will not meet today, Tuesday, due to a meeting scheduled by the Unit 2 Block Managers in the personnel hall. The Board's next meeting will be called by Chairman Ono sometime during the week.

BOY SCOUT COUNCIL

Moto Asakawa, Poston 3, chairman.
Harry Kita, Poston 2, and Y. Isamaru, Poston 3, asst. chairmen.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR TO HOLD SPECIAL REHEARSAL

The Cathedral Choir will hold a special rehearsal tonight at 6:45 P.M. at the 211 Rec. Hall and also on Friday to prepare for the dedication services of the founding of the Poston 2 Christian Church.

SINGSPIRATION

Regular Tuesday evening Singpiration at the Christian Church will be held tonight at 8:00 p.m. A special program has been arranged.

LOST:

In or near the vicinity of the Administration Building, a man's wristwatch with a leather strap. Return to Hugo Kazato in care of the Legal Department or 227-12-B.

Agriculture Department reports the loss of 2 axes, 1 pitchfork, and 1 hatchet. Handles painted blue, marked "Ag 2" in white.

Please return to Agriculture Office 211-7-A.

Y.B.A. SEITEN SERVICES TONIGHT

Y.B.A. members are reminded of the weekly "Seiten" and song-fest held each Tuesday evening at 8:00 P.M. at the Buddhist Church, Block 214.

Installation of officers of the Board of Representatives is to be held, it was announced.

500 COTTON MATTRESSES ARRIVE.

Five hundred cotton-filled mattresses are now available in Poston 2. These will be distributed to the aged; and those with chronic illness. Social Welfare Department will handle the distribution and will investigate each case.

Make applications through the block manager's office.

OH WHERE, OH WHERE HAS MY LI'L DOG GONE????

A throughbred mongrel dog, the collie and terrier line most predominant, has adopted block 227 for its temporary home while awaiting a lost or strayed master.

Black, with white trim around collar and feet, "Fido" is wearing leather neckpiece and a anti-Rabies tag. Owner please claim.