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COUNCILMEN TO BE ELECTED

"TALENT SHOW
SLATED FOR JUNE 5,"
SAYS KOMAI

ISSEI, AMERICAN BORN TO GO
TO POLLS JUNE 8

With programs contributed by the people of the Center, the first "Patriotic" Talent Show of the Tulare Assembly Center will be held on Friday, June 5, was announced by the Entertainment Committee which met Monday evening to discuss plans to entertain over 4000 people of the Center. Tetsu Komai, Japanese Hollywood star, K10-1, Kea Sato, Pasadena, E-4-2, and eighteen unit representatives led the issei group, while Yoichi Nakase, Guadalupe, G-19-2, and a reporter of Tulare News represented the nisei unit in the discussion.

Nisei and issei talents of all ages are asked to participate in the coming shows, which will be given as often as programs are available. Those interested can sign up with the committee men or at the Tulare News, where all matters concerning the show will be centralized. Outsiders are asked to cooperate by handing in names of people, who are able to perform.

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The election of unit representatives to the Tulare Center Council will be held on June 8, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Two councilmen will be chosen from each of the ten units. A run-off will be held on June 11, if necessary.

Qualifications are as follows:

1. Candidate shall be a resident of the unit he shall represent.
2. Candidate shall be twenty-three years of age or older.
3. Any qualified candidate shall have fifteen or more signatures of qualified voters from his unit on a form to be provided by the council.
4. Any man or woman, issei or American-born, meeting the above three provisions, shall be a qualified candidate.

FILING OF CANDIDACY

1. Any qualified candidate shall file his intention to run with the recording secretary of the council at Council Headquarters, D-4-5.
2. The recording secretary shall notify the headquarters of the unit the candidate has filed his candidacy for, and his name shall be posted in the bulletin board at the headquarters. All candidacy's shall be published in the Tulare News.
3. There shall be no further filing of candidacy after 12 noon, June 2.

QUALIFICATIONS OF VOTER

1. Any person who is 18 years of age or older is qualified to vote.
2. The voter shall be a resident of the unit he votes in.

VOTING PLACE

A voting booth will be provided in the unit headquarters for the election.

ELECTION

1. Candidate must have a simple majority to be elected.
2. In event that no candidate receives a majority of votes in any unit in the election, a run-off of these highest pluralities shall be conducted.
3. In event that one candidate receives a majority of votes in a unit a run-off of two highest pluralities shall be conducted for the other councilman.

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COMMISSIONERS TO BE CHOSEN

Five commissioners, who will act as coordinators will be appointed by Nile Aanonsen, Center manager, it was announced by Ken Utsunomiya, chairman of the Provisional Council.

These men will be commissioners of works and maintenance, mess and lodgings, service, welfare and safety. They will sit in on all committee as well as council meetings. The appointments will be made before petitions for candidacy for councilman are filed, according to Ken.



INTENTIONS TO WED

Are you ready for a marriage license?

Tulare Marriage License Bureau will send out a representative to sign up prospective couples.

Marriage ceremony will be conducted in the Center ground. For further information see the Welfare Department (barrack J-6).

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Tetsu Komai announced that the first program will keep the patriotic theme of Memorial Day. Veterans of the World War and nisei with honorable discharges who are in the Center are requested to participate in the opening program in their uniform if possible.

The two hour show will be held on an outdoor stage near the main grandstand, with a public speaking system. Special lightings are also planned.

Due to the fact that some of the Japanese numbers require longer periods of practice, many of the elaborate stage affairs will be given later, according to H. Sato, Mrs. Yoshi Kawame and Masuyo Matsumoto of Guadalupe have volunteered to teach Japanese dancing, and girls interested are asked to get in touch with the instructors.

Rehearsals will begin immediately at the various barracks assigned for club rooms and assembly halls. Notices for practice will appear at the mess hall bulletins.

Others attending the meeting were: Messrs. John Fuyume-Pasadena, T. Sera-San Gabriel, T. Yamada-Oxnard, Harry Fukuda-Santa Barbara, J. Nakamura-Pasadena, J. Soyejima-Sierra Madre, Paul Tanaka-Compton, C. Ito-San Gabriel, S. Orita-Pasadena, N. Ishiyama-San Gabriel, H. Hirose-New York, T. Tanaka-Pasadena, G. Akiyama-Gardena, and Jimmy Matsufuji-Santa Maria.

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NOTICE: People with financial trouble, insurance worries or family troubles should go to the Welfare Department and see Mr. Tachichiro Miura, who will do his best to fix the matters up. The Welfare Department is trying to help every person in this Center in solving their problems.

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NOTICE !!

All Buddhist Leaders and Sunday School teachers please meet at D-3-3, Friday 8:00 p.m. May 29.

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Do not break branches off the trees in the Center. You will need the shade.



DONATIONS WANTED

In order to purchase a public speaking system for the Center, which will be used for various outdoor programs, group representatives of the different units will make a house-to-house campaign for small donations, was announced by Tetsu Komai.

Many nisei leaders will be asked to serve with the entertainment committees.

The unit committeemen are: C--Yamada, Yamamoto; D--Fukuda, Ishiyama; E--Ito, Akiyama; F--Matsufuji Soyejima; G--Sugano, Nakamura; J--Takusagawa, Goto; H and K--Tanaka, Nagahori; L--Tanaka, Noguchi; M--Sera, Kunihiro, Tsushima.

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YUM YUM, GREEN ONIONS

"Plant Victory Gardens for National Defense," is the motto in Tulare Center where for several weeks, the 'retired' Japanese farmers have been tilling around their barracks and planting small gardens. According to investigations, there are approximately 114 vegetable and flower gardens.

Vegetables already planted are: cucumbers, lettuce, radishes, "daikon," tomatoes, romaine lettuce, turnips, carrots, "napa," egg plant, beans, green onions, muskmelons, corn, mus and greens, spinach, ginger, potatoes, garlics,

COUNCIL SAYS

***All persons should refrain from spitting or writing on the restroom walls. Throwing cigarette butts in the toilets is also forbidden.

***A canteen is planned for the space reserved for L headquarters, and M headquarters will serve both units.

***A loudspeaker will be tried out at the first talent show, which will be held in about two weeks, and if satisfactory, will be purchased for the use of all recreational activities.

***Barrack K-6 and L-4 have been approved as the sites for the regular Saturday night dances. Special permission must be obtained from the Police Department for all other dances.

***Reservation for meeting places for all clubs must be made in advance with Taki Asakura in the Administration office.

***Baby food will be distributed through stations which will be established soon.

***The west end of Barrack L-4 is reserved for L headquarters.

***A committee is working on names for the various streets.

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Mrs. Shige Yamanaka and family wish to thank their many friends for the kindnesses during their recent bereavement.

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watermelons, gourd, Ky beans, celery, peppers, cantaloupes, summer squash, "no-ga-ure" bell pepper and a banana flower tree. The more popular vegetables grown are cucumbers, radishes, and "daikon."

Mr. Katayama, who lives in Barrack C-9-1, already have green onions, which are ready for the table.

Over 45 flower gardens will soon beautify the surroundings. Reports show that 'Morning glory' is the popular bloom among the landscapers.

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Pelen Osaka.... Chief Coordinator of the Educational Department.... born in Gardena but Comptonite.... Unmarried.... U.C.L.A. graduate.... majored in Education.... passed State Board examinations.... Taught as substitute at L.A. City School, Terminal Island, San Pedro, Wilmington.... Instructed at Sawtelle.... also University Elementary School for one-half year respectively.... Interested in children, favorite pastime: reading literature and child psychology.

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Mrs. Lillie Fujita, Ventura.... shorthand teacher.... married to Nagao Fujita in April.... Armstrong College grad.... B.S.A. degree.... Cum Laude award.... was to become teacher.... likes sewing, reading, shorthand, business English and typing...

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Masato Inouye, Guadalupe.... Bachelor.... history teacher.... speaker at '35 Santa Maria graduation.... Meiji University '39.... orator of note.... spent 2 years at Yale.... Ph.D. student.... took International Relations.... wanted to be diplomat.... wants to teach at college.... golf favorite sport....

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Jiro Oishi, El Monte.... Born in Japan.... Jr. Bus. training teacher.... married 2 months to Anna Makino of San Gabriel.... was senior at U.S.C.... Banking and Finance major.... came to U.S. at the age of 2.... likes wrestling, singing, and dancing.... expects to take up father's footsteps in fertilizer business....

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Akimitsu Shimamura, Compton.... single.... algebra teacher.... U.C.L.A. grad.... science major.... chemistry.... B.A.... likes swimming, stamp collecting.... hopes for swimming pool.... was salutatorian of class at Compton H.S. '36.... favorite pastime: eating.... likes to be respected in classroom.... hard man to interview.... "women are generally considered a dumb creature."

TYPICAL TULARE WEATHER



AH, SHADE

Official weather reports stated the peak for the last week was almost 95 degrees and that the temperature was expected to rise close to the 100 mark before the month was over. The all-time high for May has been around 110 which makes Tulare quite the "hot spot" everyone expected it to be.

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MESS TICKETS TO BE ISSUED

The mess ticket plan will be put into operation Thursday, if possible, it was announced by Tetsu Mayeda, of the mess and lodgings committee. Each section will be divided into two groups, which will be issued red and white cards. Those holding red cards will eat the first half hour, and the whites the second half. This procedure will be

reversed every Sunday morning. Workers will supersede all others as before.

Milk identifications will be issued to all those under 12, and all others who have milk permits should see Mr. Wilkins in the main office immediately and get his O. K. It is imperative that this is done so that everyone entitled may get his share.

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COUNCILS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE TWO)

***Chief Hoyt will answer all questions concerning selective service at his office in the fire station.
***Colored meal tickets to be distributed. Also children to have tickets marked with "milk" stamped on it.

***Flag pole to be erected. Flag donation from American Legion. Boy Scouts to take charge of putting up and taking down flag.

***Cleanliness of latrines. To be installed in latrines. Everyone asked to cooperate in cleaning

the latrines by doing their share of cleaning when it is their turn to do so. Girls are asked not to stand on the boards when using the latrines.

***Straw mattresses for sick persons and young children to be changed for cotton mattresses.

***Remodeling of women latrines are being tried (somewhere around "J" section).

***Partitions for women latrines suggested to Mr. Stamp.

***Obtaining of motion picture projector considered.

Go To Polls JUNE 8

WOMEN DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Fumi Toguri 56, business woman and formerly of Los Angeles, died at the County Hospital on Sunday, May 24 at 12:30 p.m. She was living in Barrack E-4-8. Previous to her death, the deceased had been ill for 6 years.

The survivors of the family are widower, Jun 60, son, Fied 31, daughter-in-law, Miyoko 23, June 22, and Inez 17, and the oldest daughter, Iva, who is in Japan.

Otsuya was held Monday night, May 26, in L-4 conducted by Rev. M. Tajima of Pasadena. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, at 10 a.m. arranged by close family friends, Mr. Sosaku Uchida, and the Welfare Department under Go-hachiro Miura and Butch Tamura.

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Mrs. S. Yamanaka's recent \$5 donation to Tulare News is greatly appreciated.

"SPORTS TAKES SHAPE," SAYS LEACH

Although still in its embryonic stage, the recreational system of the Tulare Center will soon develop into a complete program for all age groups under the able guidance of Mr. Harold A. Leach, Recreational Director.

In addition to the volleyball courts, there will be a baseball diamond, one tennis court, and supplementary badminton courts. Basketball courts and more horseshoe pits are now in progress. These recreational sports are to be located near the M section of this Center. They will also provide further recreation in the near future.

All the recreational halls will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. to provide amusement for all young people. H-4 will be one of the main centers.

Dances will probably be held every Saturday night in the L-4 and K-6 halls.

Organization of clubs for the various age groups has begun. An organized Boy Scout troop is now in full swing.

The Recreational Department is working in conjunction with the educational group in order to assist the necessary physical education classes.

Under the direction of Mr. Tetsu Komai, with Yoichi Nakase assisting, talent shows will be given every week. These plans are still in progress and should materialize soon.

C, D VS. L, M

Tackle football, miniature style, was played on the grass between C and D sections yesterday. The diminutive footballers, using a ball to match drew a large crowd who cheered in the approved manner as the boys from C and D sections featuring a passer deluxe steamrolled over the L and M lads to the tune of 30 to 6.

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Let's get organized... Form teams now.

SCOUTS MESS MESS CHECKERS

STRONGMEN LIFT BARBELL

Barbell training began in earnest as some of the training sets arrived at the Center. Classes are being run six nights a week and they will be divided into two divisions. One will consist of light lifters and the other, the heavy lifters.

Noboru Wakumoto of Lompoc is the strongest at present. He presses 160 pounds and clean jerks 210 pounds.

Classes will be enlarged as soon as new training sets arrive, and a organized barbell club will be formed.

Barbell is the lifting of weights which are equally placed and balanced at both ends of a bar. This is one of the oldest form of physical training that is in practice today.

Much credit for the barbell organization goes to John Ishimoto and Suki Oishi, both of Guadalupe.

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LIVE EXPLAINED

"The technique applied to jitterbugging is entirely different to that of fox-trot or waltz," said John Sumi, who hails from Santa Barbara. John, who is generally acknowledged to be the best jive artist in the Center, is currently teaching the modern version of the light fantastic in Barrack K-6 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 4:30 p.m.

"In jitterbugging, you should hold back as much as possible, and arms should be kept back. The partner should not follow too closely lest you stumble."

"Although the most important steps are alike, methods differ according to persons. Los Angeles has the best jitterbugs, and Negroes are especially good at this art," said John, who is in a position to know since he lived there before going to Santa Barbara.

Catching the spotlight of the volleyball courts Saturday night was the terrific struggle of the little boys in uniform and the clowning Mess Checkers. Amid the cheers and jeers of the excited throng of spectators, the Boy Scouts gave the husky Mess boys a Walloping to the tune of 21 to 14.

In the second game of the nightcap, the powerful Loafers, with a brilliant record of only one defeat out of 15 games, trounced the Mess Checkers for their second consecutive defeat of the evening, thereby, establishing themselves the most outstanding team in the Center.

CHECKERS FINALLY WIN

The Loafers still continued their long winning streak on Sabbath night by handing the ill-lucked Mess Checkers a 21-to-6 thumping for their third consecutive defeat. But the Mess Checkers, with a complete reversal of form, surprised everybody by toppling the Loafers 21 to 19 in one of the biggest upset of the season in the second game of the double-header.

Players who competed in the Saturday and Sunday games were: Mess Checkers Kayo Kuratani, Kody Kodama, George Matsuura, T. Murata, F. Tokuyama, Thomas Okamoto, John Sumi, J. Kawata, R. Kamachi, M. Mitani, T. Yoneda, and N. Fujita.

Boy Scouts: Bob Handa, Yoichi Nakase, Sam Morishita, S. Murakami, Yoshio Naruko, Yoshi Inadomi, Ray Koyama, H. Takasagawa and Tadao Susuki.

Loafers: M. Nakano, K. Tanaka, S. Nakano, Frank Tanaka, B. Kurokawa, M. Tachihara, M. Mizukami, F. Ichikawa, R. Ichikawa, Y. Minamide, and H. Matoba.

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NOTICE!!

The footbaths are to be used after, and not before entering a shower, says Richard Hiramatsu, Public Health Officer. The purpose of having a footbath in all the shower rooms is to prevent athletes-foot.