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## RIVERS JOINS NAT'L Y.M.C.A. CANAL INSTALLED BY PHOENIX

## 'Y' SPONSORS ROOT

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On November 14, the Canal Phalanx was presented with a charter which officially affiliated them with the National YMCA.

During an impressive ritual held jointly with the Butte chapter, a 12 member contingent of the Saguaro Phalanx of Phoenix presented the charter to Canal in a solemn candle light ceremony at Chapel 40. Past Primus, Jack Campbell, acted as chairman, replacing George Pear, present primus.

A tour of the project, a basketball game, and a dinner preceded the ceremony. At 3 p.m. a reception committee of about ten Canal "Y" members welcomed the Saguaro Phalanx to Rivers. "Y" Board members, Goro Maeda and George Nagamatsu, acted as guides and pointed out interesting locations to the visitors.

### REV. OSUMI

## TRIP TO EUROPE

Reverend Osumi related some of the interesting highlights of his recent trip to Europe just prior to the outbreak of the present conflict, when he spoke to the Phalanx on Oct. 11.

A parallel to the present situation, the Reverend stated that even while attending the International Christian Youth Conference in Amsterdam, Holland, a feeling of tenseness was in the air, and that all nations were preparing for war. Following the conference, Reverend Osumi traveled throughout most of totalitarian Europe and docked in New York just one day prior to the commencement of the war.

## HALLOWEEN

The inability of many of the members to attend the Halloween social held on Oct. 28 at the "Y", was felt keenly, but the few (Cont. on Column 3.)

The tour was climaxed at the Rivers Hospital.

After the tour, a rugged basketball game was played, and won by Rivers with a score of 20-10. A dinner was later held at Mess 40 and the evening was concluded with games and dancing.

Since the organization of the Delta Sigma Chi, commonly known as the Phalanx Fraternity, many activities have been undertaken, completed and looked upon with impressions of relative success.

A complete record of the activities of the organization is available from the minutes and the monthly report, but to better express our views, to better record the lighter side as well as the serious side of the group, to better "encourage a high standard of Christian manhood, an unselfish service to the community, a loyalty to America and her institutions, an allegiance to the church, the upholding of the honor of womanhood, and the ultimate extension of Christ's ideals of Peace, Liberty and Justice to the world", is this paper written.

## Y CONCESSION

In the midst of many noisy concessions, the Phalanx sold hot, steaming "corn on the cob", candied taffy apples, and candied yams at the annual Harvest Festival held on Nov. 27 and 28 in front of the Com. stage.

Although handicapped by a shortage of provisions, all the corn was sold in a short time during the initial night, and the candied apples and yams were gone in an equally short period on the second night.

The income was fair and aided the club financially.

Don't forget to come to the Phalanx social-Dec. 17

Cleverly defining an intelligent person as "one that is constantly growing in life", J. V. Root, Secretary of the Maricopa County YMCA, spent an evening of discussion with the Canal Phalanx on Sept. 21, at the "Y" Hall.

Pursuance of hobbies, reading of books, conducting of plays and dramas, holding of open forums and debates were some of the means that he described as being beneficial to the individual. With a wise understanding of the circumstances which the evacuees are faced with, "Cap" Root provided effectively, a solution to hum drum everyday living.

## SATOW:

### "NISEI MUST FIGHT"

Expressly pointing out a fallacy in the nisei mind, Masao Satow, Field Secretary of the National YMCA, stressed the unwise disregard by the American Japanese toward the racial prejudice problem. Speaking on Nov. 23, before a joint "Y's Men"--Phalanx gathering, Satow convincingly pointed out the necessity for the evacuees to fight for the rights of minority groups.

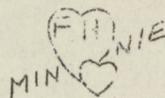
He contended that the nisei were sitting aside and being self sympathetic while Caucasian groups were fighting for our cause at every opportunity afforded. Satow, who was responsible for the organization of the "Y" in Rivers, visited two days and returned to Kansas City.

(Cont. from Column 1.) that did attend, made the affair rather successful.

Decorations were very cleverly arranged and refreshments were exceptionally delicious. Halloween games and dancing concluded the evening of fun at eleven o'clock.



# GETTING That Date



December 17--the date that every brave and handsome Phalanxer will take his maiden fair to the club social. This may sound simple in black and white, but is it? And are all club members so brave--especially about asking for dates?

Here we see a handsome "Y" man approaching courageously, (?) the residence of his favorite gal for that date. A definitely nervous wreck, he is in a sad state of affairs, as fear shows all over his face. Hesitating at her doorstep, he thinks desperately that there surely must be another way out. But alas, finally he ascends the steps. (Poor Man.)

Knock knock! The door opens all too soon and his heart skips a beat as a fluttering sensation gnaws somewhere inside. A feeble smile loosens his nightmare countenance, as he with a faint, "Hello M-Mary", greets her.

"Hello Ponchy. How are you? Won't you come in?"

And so our honorable hero is paralyzed--in legs, voice and even mind. (All Phalanx members are very intelligent under normal circumstances you know.)

"Blub, I--that is...blub, ahem." (Those inane series of guttural sounds are definitely not the way to ask for a date and does not make for intelligent conversation--so says Emily Post.)

Christmas social...Dec. 17 and, I must--have." His voice freezes and trails off. Wiping off perspiration from his brow, he sways dangerously and leans heavily against the door.

"Ponchy! Are you asking me for a date to the Phalanx social? I'd love to go with you!...and the crisis is over. At this point, our prince valiant gasps and neatly collapses on the doorstep. Somehow he manages to thank her and dazedly but happily drags down the walk--right smack into her castor bean trees.

Ah yes, dates and socials! This is perhaps a slightly exaggerated account of what happens, but one gets a fair idea of how the dater faces an ordeal.

Perhaps it is doubted as to the authenticity of the courage of the "Y" boys, but I assure you it can be quoted and upheld in any court that we Phalanx members are ALL VERY handsome fellows.--amen.\*

\*These names are entirely fictional and have no reference to any living person. --Mas Nitasaka

## SEAMAN

On Oct. 25, Reverend Gale Seaman, Representative for the Field Council of the Student YMCA of S. California, led a discussion on, What the Y.M.C.A. Means to Me. Seaman related in various steps, the benefits he derived from working with it.

He stated the principles of the "Y" stand for a high Christian standard of character and the term, discrimination, was never to be used in connection with it. In reference to future professions, he explained dynamically, that character and personality coupled with profound knowledge were the primary factors necessary for success, while knowledge and skill were secondary. Come to the Dance--Dec. 17.

## SYNOPSIS

Whew! And the dust of past months swirls into the air, revealing the Phalanx in the sweltering month of July...we organized.

Activities: Bla, bla, bla,...only our speakers were more than just bla. We boast of Rev. Gale Seaman, Representative for the Field Council of the Student YMCA; Marion Reith, "Y" Secretary of the Pac. Southwest; Geo. Corwin, Nat'l. "Y" Field Secretary; Masao Satow, "Y" Secretary for the 10 Relocation centers; "Cap" Root, Maricopa County YMCA Secretary and we proudly conclude with "our own" Rev. Paul Osumi.

Socials too were definitely a part of the organization -- the perspiring part. (Ask any of the stag

## IN IN C I A T I A IN THE GOSSIP CAN --

On the basketball front: A "slightly RE-inforced Butte five trounced the highly favored Canal quintet by a squeaky margin of 5 digits. Canal lived up to their reputation by being good losers.

On the "over the fence" line, it seems that Frankulo "Meatball" Hirakawa is putting on excess fat recently. (And we do mean Fat.) Is it because you work in the meat shop or because you are not doing your share of the work?

Then, on the "confidential" (?) side of the column, I noted that that "Jerk" Nagata (Ponchy) was really the hit of the party..Halloween. I say, tch tch. What will your wife say with such promiscuous activities. Um, Such goin' ons. This younger generation.

Jumping around to the?? xx# (0\*2"g of the club, remember how we climaxed the Halloween social?

Shaggin' on spangles an inch thick was really fun but what of the lightless-DANCING (?).

Better close with one "hot tip". Note to all of the fellows: Don't ever let that WOLF Ponchy Nagata tell you anything on the subject of women. (Believe you me, he does actually know about them, but he also can get you in plenty of deep water.)

Take it from a man who knows...I was there.

hunters--even Primus Osumi.

Halloween and it really was a ghostly mess of a party too, but nevertheless we managed to suffer thru it, and Thanksgiving found a far more organized and better social...with bags.

To summarize, an installation of the Rivers group into the national chapter, an average of 4 meetings a month, a benefit movie, concession at the Harvest Festival, (Wow how we gyped customers) sponsorship of a leadership class, joint meetings with Butte--always held in Canal, and finally a basketball game with Phoenix.

Joyous Seasons wishes to the eleven relocatees from the Phalanx "gang".

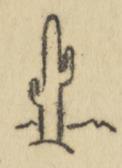
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## SIX RELOCATE

Adding to the ever increasing number of relocated members of the Phalanx Fraternity; six more have joined their ranks; namely: Shig Okuno, Bonchy Nagata, Frank HIRAKAWA, Eimi Kuramoto, Mas Nakamura and Bob Sakai, and advisor Kay Nobusada, who left within the last six weeks to various parts of the United States. They joined ten other associate members of the Fraternity who have already gone out during the latter part of 1943.

It was a heavy blow to the Phalanxers to lose so many officers and active members and the advisor on such a short notice. Advisor Kay Nobusada left for Denver, Colorado, to start a dehydration plant; Shig Okuno, Frank HIRAKAWA and Bonchy Nagata went to the Chicago Hostel; Bob Sakai to St. Paul, Minnesota; Eimi Kuramoto to Kansas City Missouri; and Mas Nakamura to Detroit, Michigan.

## INSTALLATION

The Delta Sigma Chi chapter of the Phalanx Fraternity held their Installation and Initiation Social on Monday, January 3, 1944 at the "Y" hall.

In an impressive candle light ceremony, Goro Maeda installed the new tribunal of Primus Kengo Osumi, Pro primus, Shig Okuno, Tribune Frank HIRAKAWA, Quaestor Johnny Yamaguchi. The meanings of the various symbols on the Phalanx Shield were explained by the new officers.

After the installation, the initiation of new members took place. Those initiated were: David Yahanda, James Murakami, and Isamu Yoneyama.

The initiation was an hilarious one. The initiates were made to drink a cup of raw egg, followed by drinking a cup of hot cocoa sprinkled freely with chili pepper, after which they had to go through the swatting mill.

Refreshments, games and dancing concluded the evening of fun at eleven P.M.

## SONG BOOKS

"Let's Sing" is the title of the attractive song books finally completed after six months of untiring effort by the staff. The song books are bound by a sturdy blue paper cover and contents are of linen finished paper. Two hundred songs of various types have been compiled, including college songs, old favorites, friendship songs, spirituals, rounds, and hymns.

Our heartiest thanks go to Frank Kino who compiled and edited this book and also to many others who helped in the publication.

## PLAY CONTEST

"The Ghost Hunters", a mystery thriller packed with suspense and excitement was the presentation of the Phalanx Fraternity in the recent one-act play tournament sponsored by the CAS and which won the honorable mention award.

The plot of the play centered around the four young peoples' visit to a haunted house on a wager to find the ghost that appears at midnight and subsequently running in to unexpected incidents while waiting for the fatal hour and the final appearance of a life-like ghost.

The cast included David Yahanda, Mayme Hamakata, Kengo Osumi and Harriett Murakami as the four young people; Masa Fujimoto as Tim Hennesey, the friendly cop; and Mitch Taniguchi as the Ghost. Their performances kept the audience spell-bound throughout the half-hour presentation. The play was ably directed and produced by Johnny "DeMille" Yamaguchi who also was sound technician and prop man.

## COMMUNITY WAR CHEST

\$350 was received by the Rivers YMCA as their share from the Community War Chest Trust Fund. The Canal unit received one third of this amount and the Butte chapter received two thirds. This money will be divided among the Phalanx Fraternity, Y's Men and the Hi-"Y", and is to be used specifically for national charter fees, club manuals, office supplies, and clubroom equipment.

## PINS RECEIVED

The Phalanx Fraternity pins and keys were received by the club members at a special meeting on Feb. 16, at the "Y" hall. The pins were presented informally by the Primus. The pennants and emblems were also received. Pins were also mailed to the relocated members. The members will try to live up to the high standards symbolized by the pins.

## TEK SAKURAI

Tek Sakurai, delegate to the Wooster conference at Wooster College, Ohio, was the speaker at the Phalanx meeting on Monday, Feb. 21. He talked on the purposes of the conference which were: a. To get more people interested in missionary work; b. Post-war planning; c. Racial equality. The Negro, Mexican and nisei problems were discussed also. Delegates to this conference included: YEMA representatives, seminary students, college students, representatives from denominational organizations and Christian social workers. Delegates from South America were also present.

Interesting experiences of his two months tour of the eastern states were also related by Sakurai. He believes that nisei problems are over stressed and found the relocated nisei not participating enough in community activities.

## VACANCIES REPLACED

Goro Maeda, Mas Fujimoto, and Mich Taniguchi were elected to replace the officers who relocated. Goro is now doing a fine job as mentor replacing Kay Nobusada. Mas Fujimoto and Mich Taniguchi replace pro primus Shig Okuno and tribune Frank HIRAKAWA, respectively. Now the tribunal stands as follows: Kengo

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### MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Twenty club members received their membership cards at the first regular meeting of the year on January 3, 1944, at the installation and induction ceremony. These cards were especially printed for the Rivers YMCA and obtained through the efforts of Ken Dyo, "Y" coordinator and "Cap" Root of the Phoenix YMCA.

Fraternity cards were also mailed to the eleven relocated members. They expressed their appreciation for them since they entitle the bearer to the courtesies of the Y M C A throughout the country.

### SYNOPSIS

Lots of happenings and changes have taken place since the last edition of the Phalanx Fraternity Tribune on Dec. 10th. Show up! lots have happened. Here it is March 10th. 3 months have slipped through our fingers. To begin with according to time, we had in December, Mrs. Marion Reith, "Y" student secretary of the Pacific Southwest, the speaker of the month; Hot debate on etiquette by our Fraternity wolves; discussion on ideals and standards for new members; election of new officers; Christmas social the best we ever had yet, quote anybody but emcee Shig Okuno; yes, all this in the month of December.

January found: installation of officers; induction and initiation of four new members and I do mean a mean initiation! Ask any of the new members especially David Yahanda; Phalanx rally and farewell outing at Fox Butte with Y.P. Fellowship as invited guest; bidding farewell to Shig Okuno, Frank Hirakawa, Eimi Kuramoto, Bob Sakai and Bonchy Nagata. Gee whiz! what a loss!; speaker of the month Kay Nobusada, Canal "Y" coordinator; Yes all this and a half dozen other privately sponsored farewell parties to which all the Phalanx members attended. (No wonder they all looked so fagged out)

The month of February saw the Phalanxers place second in the community wide Play contest tourna-

### EDITORIAL

Despite the comparatively short history of our Phalanx Fraternity, we members have participated in numerous activities together and have come to look upon each other as old friends.

As our members take leave to assume once more the responsibility of their own livelihood outside, the assuring support of their friendship is gone, making us feel just that much more lonely and helpless. This we do not think is sentimental, for friendship is a fundamental human need. Although we may never see those familiar faces again at the "Y" hall, their personality and character will always remain.

We hope that this Phalanx Tribune reaching you out there will keep you informed of our activities and simultaneously retaining our bond of friendship. To this end we exert our efforts to publish this paper.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

To Mrs. Edmonia Grant of the National YWCA: We take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the untiring work your committee is doing in behalf of the Japanese Americans. Thank you also for the many pamphlets and articles of timely subjects you have generously contributed.

### APOLOGIES

The staff of the Phalanx Tribune humbly apologizes for letting so much time elapse between this edition and the first edition of Dec. 10.

### OUTING

Honoring Bob Sakai, who relocated to St. Paul, Minnesota, a farewell outing was held at Fox Butte by the Phalanx members and their friends. The crowd enjoyed an hour of hiking and singing songs around the cheery bonfire; later returning to the "Y" hall for "eats" and dancing. (Cont. from pg. 1 col. 1) Osumi, Primus; Mas Fujimoto, Pro-Primus; Mich Tani-guchi, Tribune; Johnny Yamaguchi; Quæstor; and mentor, Goro Maeda

### IN THE GOSSIP CAN

The male animal, it is said, is an animal of reason. But when love stalks through the front door, reason, a frail substance, flies out the back. A powerful virus indeed, for it topples even the supreme intelligence of the almighty Phalanxers.

For instance, say "Play Contest" to a certain member and you'll have his undivided attention. Say "That leading lady", and a soft mushy look replaces that look of dignity. Say "Valentine" and he'll flop to his knees looking as weak as a sick lamb. Finally, utter the name of that leading lady and he'll roll over on his back and babble incoherently.

This sounds like an advanced case of dementia præcox, but it is not as serious. The cure of this strange malady is unknown, but we suspect the cause of it as a type of a heart disease.

A kiss, a sigh, a long  
goodbye,

And he is gone.

A glance, a curl, another girl

And life goes on.

This bit of verse, incidentally, is borrowed (a habit of the Phalanx boys it seems). Anyhow, it wouldn't apply to any of you relocated boys, would it? What do you say, Bonchy? Does "life go on" for you or do you still have a place in your ticker for vivacious Miss M.H.? (we pause for initial identification and pleasant reminiscence by Mr. Nagata.) A certain Mr. Hirakawa might be concerned about that initial M.H. No cause for alarm, Frank, the other M.H. is reserved especially for you.

As for our valued friend Shig O., we're sure that with his colossal vocabulary he wouldn't have any trouble getting around with the fairer sex. He'll make any girl swoon inside of two minutes. Speaking of valued friends brings to mind Bob Sakai who is presently enjoying the blondes in St. Paul, Minn.

We'll put the cover on this gossip can with a word about those new Phalanxers (cont. pg. 3)

# THE CLUBROOM

The ingenuity of the Phalanx boys have changed the plain clubroom of the "Y" into a place of beauty and relaxation. The burnt effect of the beams and walls and the harmonizing curtains and drapes add greatly to the coziness. On various occasions crepe paper decorations have been put up. The most striking of these was the Christmas decorations. The scene of the three wisemen following the star to Bethlehem was depicted across the back wall by several of the artists in the Phalanx group.

Quite recently the bulletin board and mantel has been added. On the mantel the club charter, pennants and emblem, gavel, and the play contest award ribbon are proudly displayed. Over all hangs the blue and gold decorations creating a pleasing atmosphere.

## OCCUPATIONS

|                |                        |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Mas Fujimoto   | Bookkeeper for Butcher |
| George Kanada  | Mess operation         |
| Sam Murakami   | Electrician            |
| Jim Murakami   | Cook's helper          |
| Mas Nitasaka   | CAS                    |
| Kengo Osumi    | Unit farmer            |
| George Matsuo  | Model Ship             |
| Allen Nagai    | " "                    |
| David Yahanda  | " "                    |
| Tom Sakata     | Farm management        |
| Mich Taniguchi | Lab. ass't.            |
| John Yamaguchi | Tractor foreman        |
| Isamu Yoneyama | Livestock              |

## ADDRESSES OF RELOCATEES

Here are the addresses of the relocated Phalanxers, Let's write to them and keep up the bond of Phalanx Fellowship.

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| Frank Kino     | 1621 W. Division St., Chicago, 22, Ill.  |
| George Baba    | " " " "                                  |
| Tosh Katayama  | 1405 5th St., S.E., Minneapolis, Minn.   |
| Gilo Otomo     | 1017 Emerson St., N., " "                |
| Akira Yoneda   | 2460 W. 2nd, Avenue, Denver, Colorado    |
| Tiddy Fujiwara | 911 Mohawk Street, Chicago, Illinois     |
| Joe Fujimoto   | 6118 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, Illinois  |
| Steve Ichiki   | " " " "                                  |
| Hiro Fujimoto  | 1511 Morgan Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn.  |
| Art Matsuura   | 2106 St. Anthony Blvd. " 13, "           |
| Kay Nobusada   | 4230 Zuni St., Denver, 11, Colorado      |
| Eimi Kuramoto  | 2733 Harrison St., Kansas City, 3, Mo.   |
| Bob Sakai      | 1970 Selby Ave., St. Paul, 14, Minnesota |
| Mas Nakamura   | 78 Watson St., Detroit, Michigan         |
| Bonchy Nagata  | 6342 N. Winthrop, Chicago, Illinois      |
| Shig Okuno     | Chicago, Illinois                        |
| Frank Hirakawa | " "                                      |



## SOCIALS

Many a night has a gay laughter and music shook that little room on the last end of Recreation Hall 9. And perhaps many an occupant of the neighborhood has turned over in his bed wishing he could throw a bomb in there and end it all.

Social for Thanksgiving social for Christmas, farewell socials in honor of relocators, social in honor of the play contest, socials for social's sake. There's been enough night life at the "Y" hall to start a night club. And if there ever were weary men, it's the chairman elected to arrange these parties. But in spite of all this they happily have been decided successes and the envy of this community. In addition, they have been very beneficial for the members. For instance, where before Phalanx boys used to dance on their partner's feet they now dance on the floor most of the time. Now, also, they never are speechless when confronted by the opposite sex, but have improved to a stutters. Best of all at every party, everyone has a rollicking good time and there really is no harm done since the roof is always replaced.

## LETTERS

The Canal Phalanx Fraternity has received many interesting and encouraging letters from their relocated members. According to the letters received they seem to be getting along fine. There is an indication that conditions are quite favorable for them in their present localities. Most of them have taken jobs in the big cities, while some are working on the farms or attending school.

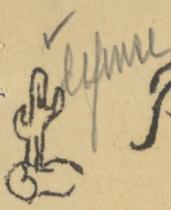
Letters have been received from Hiro Fujimoto, Gilo Otomo, and Bob Sakai from Minnesota; from Joe Fujimoto, George Baba, Frank Kino, Shig Okuno, Bonchy Nagata, and Frank Hirakawa in Chicago; from Eimi Kuramoto in Kansas City; and from Akira Yoneda in Denver. These letters are important in that they indicate the ties of friendship that exists between the Fraternity members which cannot be broken or forgotten.

(Cont. from pg. 2, col. 3) lanx Pins ( \$3.00 in legal tender), which really puts us in class. Remember, boys, they are for your best girl ( which leaves Mich T. in a pretty tough spot. He'll have to order a couple of dozen!)

---Mas Nitasaka

(Cont. from pg. 2, col.1.) ment. (Boy! these Phalanx boys can act! Yep, especially the flat foot copper Fujimoto) It was some experience for the Phalanx boys. Then we had an acknowledgement social honoring the playcast including non-members Harriett Murakami and Mayme Hamakata; the speaker of the month was Tek Sakurai, who represented Rivers at the National Christian Student conference at Wooster, Ohio and traveled the good part of the eastern states; Yes! and the receiving of the Phalanx pins and keys; and the publication of the "Y" song books.

Summarizing: the first week of March as we go to press, we are launching our membership drive. We also will be bidding fare well to George Matsuo, Mas Nitasaka and Tom Sakata.



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## NINE JOIN

Nine new members were welcomed into the fellowship of the Phalanx Fraternity on April 7 at an impressive candlelight ceremony witnessed by a large group of members and friends. The induction ceremony was presided over by Primus Kengo Osumi and his tribunal. The new members who pledged to live up to the high ideals of the Fraternity were: Min Ezaki, George Tanouye, Ben Sasaki, Chester Yokoyama, Yoshio Minami, Yoshio Yamamoto, Bert Kobata, George Waki and Hiroshi Oto. Mentor Goro Maeda presented the membership cards to them at the close of the ceremony.

A very brief but rough initiation followed immediately and the initiates officially became full-fledged members. A period of informal games, singing and dancing concluded the evening of fun.

## Y. CENTENNIAL

In conjunction with the Centennial Week of the YMCA, a big celebration is being planned by the Delta Sigma Chi Chapter of the Phalanx Fraternity. This year is the hundredth anniversary since the founding of this world-wide organization by George Williams.

## PROGRAM FOR MAY

A well-balanced program is planned for the month of May and beginning of June.

May 15... Short meeting and a "Bridge session" with light refreshments.

May 22... Captain McKenzie is slated to speak on military etiquette and give pointers on army life.

May 29... The Delta Phi Sigmas of the Butte YWCA is to come for joint meeting. A definite program for this joint affair has not been completed yet.

## JOINT MEETING

### HELD WITH BUTTE

A joint meeting with the Butte Phalanx group was held at the Canal YMCA hall on April 28, 1944.

The meeting was opened by a period of singspiration led by song leaders of both groups. The remainder of the meeting was spent in discussing together various problems confronting the group. Relocation of good leaders was the main problem and the only solution in sight was to develop new ones if possible. The program followed by the groups were much the same and improvement seemed difficult with out good experienced leaders.

The meeting was closed with the singing of "End of a Perfect Day."

### IMPROVEMENTS

#### PLANNED

The Saguaro Chapter of the YMCA is planning on making many improvements on the "Y" clubroom. With the hot summer months just around the corner the purchase of a cooler is definitely decided upon. Also with the allotment from the Community Chest Fund, refurnishing of the room with new curtains and covers for the furnitures will be possible. Card tables will also be purchased.

## 'G.I. JOES'



The Army will soon beckon many of the Phalanxers in the near future. Those who have already received their pre-induction physicals are: Goro Maeda, Ben Sasaki, David Yahanda, Yoshio Minami, Mich Taniguchi and Frank Kino. Others who have been reclassified to 1-A are Hiroshi Oto, James and Sam Murakami and George Waki. It won't be long before the whole of the Delta Sigma Chi chapter members will be in uniform.

## SEVEN LEAVE

Seven more Fraternity members have relocated since the last publication of the Phalanx Tribune.

Tom Sakata, George Kanada and Mas Nitasaka have gone out to Minneapolis, Minnesota; George Matsuo to Kansas City, Missouri; David Yahanda and Allen Nagai to Chicago, Illinois and Min Ezaki to Cleveland, Ohio. At this writing the relocated members far outnumber those left here.

## BOYS & GIRLS WEEK

The Phalanx Fraternity participated in the Boys and Girls week celebration sponsored by the community by assisting in the athletic day program. Track and field events for boys and girls of high school age, baseball game, girls softball game and tennis tournament comprised the day's program. The whole athletic day program was carried out with relative success.

## FUN BY DOING

Many of the Phalanx members have taken an active part in the leadership training group called "Fun by Doing," which was organized in February by Mr. Hugo Wolters of the Community Management Division. The aim of this group is to train young people to be leaders in their respective clubs and at the same time have fun while learning. Participation in this group has greatly improved the leadership qualities of the members and as the result there is never a dull moment or a lack of interest at the club socials.

Phalanxers owe a great deal to this class for the training received. Much credit and appreciation go to the responsible persons who first thought of the need of such a group here in this center and who have worked tirelessly for its success.

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### SHIELD MADE

The Phalanx shield which has been made by Sam Murakami occupies a place of prominence in the Y club-room. Much effort and work has been put into it by Sam and the members are proud of it. The shield has carved out letters spelling the word Phalanx and it shows up to advantage when lights are placed in the back. This shield was used at the induction ceremony for the new members.

### DEDICATION

To the young men of America! True, sincere, real, awake. Seekers of the truth in school; in business; in life. May they in their search for truth find God; may they in Christ find a joy in living and serving and a code of ideals upon which to base successful and happy lives. To them with a genuine admiration for their honesty of intellect; and their tirelessness of effort in the pursuit of life-- to them this publication is lovingly and hopefully dedicated.  
(Taken from the Phalanx Manual published by the state YMCA of Penn.)

### PERSONALS

Bob Sakai has sent the Fraternity two boxes of chocolates after his arrival in St. Paul. The Phalanx appreciated it very deeply.

Min Ezaki from Cleveland wishes to forward his best regards to the Phalanx. He writes there aren't much social recreation but you can sure make money and that everyone is money mad.

Former mentor of the Phalanx writes that he is ready for induction. He passed every requirement with flying colors.

We have yet to hear from Mr. Al Nagai and Dave Yahanda from Chicago. Let us hear from you, boys!

### PERSONALITIES

Frank Kino ... one of the first of the Phalanx Fraternity members to relocate has returned to this camp after working for eight months in Chicago upon receiving his 1-A classification and passing his pre-induction physical exams.

Frank is credited as being the founder of our Fraternity and is greatly responsible for the success of our club today. He was on the committee to draw up the constitution and the charter for the National YMCA and planned a well balanced program which was almost nearly followed through.

Frank did a good job then and so it is with open arms we welcome him back in our midst again to resume the work that can only be done in the Kino manner.

Johnny Yamaguchi ... Quaes-  
tor Yamaguchi took a short term leave of two weeks last February 15th to Denver, Colorado and hasn't come back yet. "Just a short vacation", he said, when he left but now he has a 30 days extension and is working at our past mentor Kay Nobusada's Dehydration plant. Johnny is a foreman there of a crew of nine beautiful damsels so he writes, and so it's no small wonder that he doesn't want to come back in a hurry. We envy you Johnny and don't forget we're suffering in here.

Mr. Yamaguchi also so-journed in Heart Mountain before he received his extension.

### Y'S MENS SOCIAL

A get-together social was sponsored by the Y's Men on March 27th at the Y hall for the Phalanx group. The program was taken care of by the Phalanx boys since the membership of the Y's Men was so small.

Since this was a bring a date affair it kept away the expected crowd but an enjoyable time was had by those who attended.

Isamu Yoneyama was the emcee for the evening.

### Do You know? IN THE GOSSIP CAN

If I can write like Louella Parson or even half as good as any other society columnist I can tell the truth about the Phalanx Fraternity wolves and still keep my neck. But since I can't I guess I must sacrifice my one and only neck to tell the dear readers the awful truth about you wolves .....and don't beat around the bush when you want to get me because you can always find me where-over there is a pretty girl.

After the last edition of the Phalanx Fraternity Tribune, the wolves have been pretty much on the quiet side. The reason... super-wolves Dave Yahanda and Al Nagai have departed for the Chicago hunting grounds where game is plentiful. (How're you making out, boys?) Nevertheless there has been some very interesting cases of wolfing done these comparatively quiet months. One such case which comes to my mind is about a certain ole' wolf who heretofore never looked at or paid any attention to the fairer sex but who is now advocating a date affair social for the Fraternity.

Now here is a case that takes the prize. This certain wolf went to Chicago for I don't know what, but he is back in camp again trying to stalk an easy prey with his lily-white complexion he acquired while out there. I have been him stalking many good looking things and I must admit he has good taste.

I think I'll put the cover on this column with a story about a Phalanx member who is a lab. technician and who seemed lost between his girl and his fondness for playing bridge. But, just today I found out that he is really at heart the slyest wolf of them all.

Editor's note.... Readers! Do not judge the whole Phalanx Fraternity by this column for the wolves in our group are but a few.