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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Margaret Sorenson, Acting Director

Quarterly Report April to July 30, 1943

The Community Activities Section have continued with the same set-up that went into effect in January with very little change. The Administrative staff had little change made when the Director and Assistant Director left the staff on May 20. The Youth Activities Director is now taken over as Acting Director and the rest of the Administrative staff remains the same. The departmental supervisor have been given more responsibilities than he has had previously. At present, there are 83 members in the whole C.A. Section--51 men and 28 women as full time workers, 1 man and 3 women part time workers.

Agents-- have been dwindling and many of them have been absorbed into more of a professional field of the C.A. There is a tendency toward doing away with this group which will no doubt come soon. Since each department is doing their work efficiently and many volunteer helps are available, there is no need of this Division.

Arts and Crafts--have been continuing and have been doing their own work independently of their C.A. and have been doing well. Some of the new activities added to this department are tailoring, millinery, and pottery.

Athletics--Athletic Department is still very much the same. All types of sports programs are being offered. At present the softball activities is in full swing. Inter-center activities in judo, sumo, softball, basketball, and ping pong contests have been held with Jerome. The weightlifting and judo and kendo groups gave a exhibition at the Boy Scout Jamboree at Little Rock and was at the Little Rock Y.M.C.A. Judo and kendo exhibition were given to an appointed personnel and to the M.P.I.'s. The Rohwer All-Staff hardball team played the Camp Robinson All-Nisei hardball team.

Clubs and Organizations--is still the same.

Boy Scouts of America have had court of honor, and camporee which was attended by one troop from Arkansas City. They were guests of Monticello Boy Scouts Camporee at Monticello and came back with first place honor. Two Scouters attended the Region 5 Boy Scout Convention at Louisiana. A few outstanding presentations at the court of honor were 1 Eagle Award and 1 15-year membership charter to one of the Center Troops. The Scoutmasters basic training course and Den Chiefs course are being offered. Scouts are giving snake bite demonstrations and exhibitions to all the blocks in the Center. Also, the Scouts are taking care of raising and lowering the flag in front of the Administration Building.

Girl Scouts-- are continuing with little change. They are hoping to get their own club room and many interesting programs are in store for the members.

Y.M.C.A. is very much the same and still trying very hard to create an active Y program in the Center.

Y.W.C.A. has been advancing as ever before. Nine girls have attended a Girl Reserves Conference at Gulf Port. One of the most latest activities carried on by the Y.W. Clubs are bunking parties at the Y Club Room.

S.C.A. is almost in a stand still. One representative from Rohwer went to the Lake Geneva for the Student Christian Conference.

Independent clubs--the male, female, and mixed groups have been continuing with little change and some of the outstanding activities these groups have presented were Center-wide Nisei Talent Show, athletic competitions, shogi and goh contests and hobby activities in model airplane craft, stamp collecting, and Japanese poetry.

Toyland has been assigned to be under the supervision of this department. The attendance is ever increasing and is the most popular place for the youngsters.

Library--have been continuing in very much of their way. The Education and Community Activities Sections have been adding this department in facilitations. Many of the Friends from the outside have been donating many interesting books, and magazines for center library shelves.

Religious Activities

Protestants. The outstanding activities were the Easter Program which included the sunrise service and baptismal services and participation in the National Mission week. ✓

Buddhists. Their special activities were flower festivals. Buddha's birthday celebration and a talent show to celebrate the religious day. ✓

Catholics. Have been continuing as usual.

Signs and Posters, P.A. System, and Utility Department--have been continually kept busy with requests from other departments.

Social Department

Youth Division--outstanding activities were outdoor songfest with films, tap dancing classes, and unclassic hour (swing music)

Adult Division--Activities most outstanding were educational films shown to center residents and schools (films are obtained from Y.M.C.A. Motion Picture Bureau, Dallas, Texas, and Bell Telephone Co. Pine Bluff, Ark.) , Center-wide all girls Kabuki, and goh and shogi contests.

N.B. This quarterly report is very brief and since the history of the Community Activities is already made and reported, there is no need of elaboration for this quarter.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaz Ikebasu

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Departmental Supervisor

Acting for Margaret Sorenson

Acting Director, Community Activities

There is nothing like looking back to the past to see how much we have developed in our work, and we are sure that our attempts and struggles have not been in vain. These experiences are one thing not many of us will ever face again, an experience money cannot buy.

We are proud to present to you in a narrative form the developments of the Community Activities Section since the opening of the Rohwer Relocation Project to the evacuees.

High-lights of Community Activities from

September 20 to December 31, 1942

The community activities section of Rohwer Relocation Project was pioneered by the volunteer recreation leaders who came from Stockton Assembly Center on September 19, 1942. The community activities was temporarily headed by Mr. Zeigler, who is now Principal of Elementary School, with the help of two Youth Activities Leaders, Miss Adelene Lee, and Miss Young, and also with the help of the pioneering evacuee recreation leaders, Agnes Uyesugi, Paul Shimada, Tom Uyeda, and Jimmy Hamasaki.

With the help of Mr. Zeigler and the fellows interested in recreation, these leaders cleared away the cotton field which is now an athletic field. They also built with whatever materials available, various athletic facilities. Since there were no organized recreational activities going on in the center, these leaders temporarily put up volley ball courts and initiated games between various teams of boys and girls of the volunteer group that were here.

On the 23rd of September, the first evacuee family group from California set foot in this center. Several recreation leaders joined hands together with the volunteer recreation leaders from Stockton Assembly Center and discussed the matter of setting up a recreation department. They were not able to go on further until the permanent director was assigned. After waiting for about a week we were given for our director, a man any relocation center would like to have, Mr. C. B. Price. By the time he was officially presented to us we had many evacuee applicants for the recreation department. We were told at this time that this department would be known as the Community Activities Section and not a recreation department.

With the aid of Mr. Price, Miss Adelene Lee and Miss Young, the evacuee temporary staff spent two days in drafting the Community Activities set-up. The applications for positions in the Community Activities Section were many, and how much our activities section will take over, or how many evacuee personnel to be had were not clear to us, so we took the applications from these applicants and referred to them as needs for them arose. The population was ever increasing in this center and with hopes and in fairness to all, we decided not to choose Mr. Price's assistant until this

center was filled. So temporarily, Paul Shimada acted as Mr. Price's assistant and he certainly has done a marvelous work. The personnel who were hired in the Community Activities Section were only temporary because the reclassification was to be made on November 1st. Everyone on the staff were to help each other out in establishing the foundation for the various departments in this section.

We did not know what recreational facilities were available for this section so many contributions, personal athletic and musical equipments, were loaned to us by the center people until we were able to obtain them for the Center's use.

One of the first activities was a community-sing. It was more or less a reception group that greeted the new arrivals from assembly centers. This work was headed by Ty Saito. He initiated the first center dance for the young people which was well attended. The music for the dance was obtained through his hard effort by contacting various persons in this center who had dance records and radio pick-up systems.

On the athletic side, the fellows were so anxious to play indoor-baseball, the crew of 20 boys plus other voluntary helps, cleared away the stubbled cotton field. Their interest was so high that the field was cleared away in a few days and on the following Sunday they were able to play. The first game between Santa Anita All-stars and Stockton All-stars was witnessed by about two thousand spectators.

After the set-up had been made, though not complete, the C. A. Section continued with the programs in the various fields. As time went on we began to see flaws in our set-up, so finally we resorted to the alteration of community activities personnel staff, eliminating the number to a minimum, and our block and district system, too, was eliminated.

The new set-up is to go into effect January 1, 1943 as follows:

1. Administrative Staff
 2. Sports Department
 3. Clubs and Organizations
 4. Social Department
 5. Utility and Agents
- Library and Church a floating department of this center

A. Athletic Department

The Athletic Department worked very nicely although they did not have a supervisor. Later "Pop" George Suzuki was selected Supervisor with Sam Minami and Yoneko Dobashi assisting. They have initiated athletic events and worked hard in obtaining various athletic equipments for the center use.

The Athletic Department initiated the inter-center foot-ball contest with Jerome but due to administrative orders, the contest was cancelled. Intra-center foot-ball contests were held with enthusiasm and the same with touch foot-ball. Weight-lifting, boxing, judo, sumo, and volley-ball were also on the athletic program.

B. Social Activities

As the center population increased, various programs were initiated, such as Adult Record Appreciation, "Fukiyose" (gathering of various talents at random), block socials, district socials, and community-sing in Japanese. These various programs were highly successful from the start due to the hard work of Ty Saito, Gary Nagai, Hal Noguchi, and Dick Mori.

One of the high-lights of the Adult Program was the Adult Talent Show, participated by many of the center talents on the Athletic Field which drew several thousand people. This group also gave a program at Jerome Center which was well received by the residents and the appointed personnel.

Other programs that were initiated by the Social Activities were classical Record Appreciation, Choir, Glee Clubs, and "Go" tournaments.

C. Arts and Crafts

On the advocational side, through the efforts of Miss Adelene Lee, Youth Activities Leader, several looms were obtained from W.P.A. and N.Y.A. warehouses. As the program progressed, sewing machines were added, and life drawing, wood carving, flower arrangement, artificial flower making, and weaving classes were started. To show the achievements of this department up to date, an exhibit is being planned for January.

D. Club Activities

Through the efforts of Miss Young, the Girl Scout Troops were organized throughout the center with Mrs. Yayoshi, Patti Okura, Mary Fujishima assisting.

The Boy Scout Troops, intact from the Assembly Centers, continued their program here with the help of Paul Shimada, Mas Kitada, Kaji Uyematsu and Bob Kishita. One of the activities carried on was trail blazing into the woods. In order to show the Scout achievements, Scout Court of Honor was given before the public. Many awards were given.

Mr. Oral Smith, district Scout Executive of the De Soto Area Council, came to help set up the Scout Council in this center.

Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. Programs were more or less on a stand still but most of the clubs that were organized gave intentions of following Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. programs. The only intact "Y" group in this center was the Hawthorne Y Jrs.

Miss Margaret Sorenson, who took the place of Miss Young, helped with Mr. Price and Clubs and Organizations staff in setting up a Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. by calling a rally attended by the Field Representatives, Miss Esther Briesmeister of Denver, Colorado; Miss Ingles of New York, New York; Mr. J. J. McConnell of Dallas, Texas; Mr. Wright of Warren, Arkansas; and Mr. Fred Miller, of St. Louis, Missouri. Leadership training were given for one week by the two ladies.

E. Planning and Maintenance

This department has been quite a help to the Community Activities in handling the departmental facilities, such as P. A. System, transportation of entertainment facilities, etc. This department maintained the working crew, carpenter crew, and such, to keep up the maintenance of the Community Activities Section. This department also includes Signs and Posters which have done all of the poster work for the C. A. Section and the center. They have been doing very wonderful piece of work.

F. Religion

Religious activities are divided into two denominations, Buddhist and Protestant. The Buddhist have continued their services in their own fashion. Some of their activities are the Y.B.A. Club, Sunday School teachers group, memorial services, board meetings for the Buddhist leaders, and the Choir.

Protestants have been quite active as any other Christian groups are. They have continued English and Japanese services the young peoples' meetings, prayer meetings, Sunday Schools, Evangelical meetings, Bible studies, and Y. P. meetings. They have had many interesting fellow churchmen from the outside to speak; Congressman Hay, a Baptist from Little Rock; Mr. Paul Kennedy, Executive Secretary of the Christian Board of Mission of Little Rock; Dr. Frank H. Smith, Superintendent of Japanese Methodist Church and Chairman of War Time Japanese Service Committee of Home Mission; Rev. A. Terry, District Supervisor of Methodist Church of Monticello, Arkansas; Rev. L. C. Craig, Pastor of Baptist Church of McGehee, Arkansas; and Rev. Brady, Baptist Church of McGehee.

In a baptismal service one member was received.

G. Community Library

A temporary library was set up with the help of Ken Hasegawa and his staff in one of the Public Service Halls. Books were brought from the Stockton Assembly Center and other additions were made from donations from friends outside.

Public Relation Activities

Through the efforts of Mr. Tom Johnson of McGehee and Mr. C. B. Price, Jack Kiba, Assistant C. A. Director, and John Ando, a Rotarian of nine years standing, were invited to speak at the McGehee Rotary Luncheon. This led to another invitation from the Monticello Rotary and the same guests spoke on the status of the evacuees and general activities of this center. Crossett Rotary Club invited Mr. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Ando, Mr. and Mrs. Kiba to speak to them the following week. The same speakers were also invited to Pine Bluff. Many center talents accompanied them on this visit.

The talks given by John Ando and Jack Kiba have clarified the evacuees' problems to the people of the neighboring towns, and the feeling of fellowship created by these visits are our biggest asset under the present circumstances.

In order to repay the many luncheons attended by the members of the center, the Monticello Rotary Club, Monticello Lions Club, Mayor of Monticello, McGehee Rotary Club, and other notables of that section were invited to visit this center. They were escorted around the camp on a tour and entertained by the center talents.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Department Supervisor

For the month of December Mr. C. B. Price, Director of the Community Activities, has made the following report:

"We feel that the report for the month of December, 1942, should contain a written statement as to the part which the Community Activities section played in the Holiday celebration.

Through the American Friends Service Committee of Philadelphia and the Japanese American Citizens League of Washington D. C. we were the recipients of some three or four thousand gifts. These gifts were sent in to us by the various churches and national organizations of the United States besides the various gifts that were sent in by the Home Missions Council of North America, New York City, who sent us a check of \$200 to defray some of the expenses attached to our Christmas and New Years party.

Following is a brief outline of the general plan used in making the celebration unique and a success. First of all, a holiday committee was appointed consisting of members from the Protestant Church, the Buddhist Church, the Block Managers, School, and the Community Activities Department. This Committee met to make and execute plans for the Center.

As the gifts came in, they were tabulated, unwrapped, and then re-wrapped in the packages suitable for the various age groups and sex of children, 15 years of age and under, of which there were some 2,500. The Block Managers cooperated by supplying us with names and ages of all the children in the respective blocks. The Committee then wrote the names of each individual child on a suitable package. According to pre-arranged schedules, two Santa Clauses in full regalia delivered these huge bags of Christmas gifts to their respective blocks on Christmas Eve night. Santa Claus spoke to the children, shook hands with the parents and distributed the gifts; and then hurried away to another block.

The block mess halls were decorated for the occasion--the Holiday Committee purchased and delivered Christmas trees for each block. Indeed it was a gala affair all the way through.

Besides the gifts which were distributed on Christmas Eve. night, there was a bag of candies, nuts, and cookies for each child. There was a huge Evergreen tree placed on the Athletic Field in the Center, lighted with Christmas lights.

A huge pageant portraying the NATIVITY, which was planned on an outdoor stage has been given twice indoors because of the bad weather.

There were many gifts left over and, at this date, more gifts are coming in. Therefore, we had enough gifts to distribute to each child again for a New Year's present.

We are indebted to the kind people throughout the United States who supplied us with the gifts and for the various organizations in the Center for the distribution and handling of these gifts. It has done a great deal to raise the morale and to prove that even in Relocation Centers, Santa Claus never forgets the children!"

Signed,

C.B. PRICE, DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Hi-lights of the Community Activities

January 1 to March 31, 1945

The new Community Activities set-up went into effect January 1, 1945. The C. A. Section is now made up of Administrative staff, Sports department, Clubs and Organizations, Social Department, Utility, and Agents. Library and Church are floating departments of the Section.

The Administrative staff consists of an Assistant Director, Departmental Supervisor, Secretary, two stenographers, and a messenger. The Assistant Director carries on the work with the Director of the Community Activities and the Departmental Supervisor works with the Assistant Director. The secretary and the stenographers do all the secretarial and correspondence work for the Section. We have a messenger who has been very valuable to us, running back and forth with messages from the main Administration building to our office as we have no telephone. The Administrative staff also compiles all the records and reports concerning C. A. Section, handles financial affairs, transportation requests, Public Address system requests, etc. The C. A. has no fund set aside by the WRA so in order to meet some financial needs, donations were received from the center evacuees.

At present there are 82 members in the whole C. A. Section. Personnel are hired through administrative office with recommendations to the Placement Officer.

Adult Entertainment department consists of a Supervisor, two assistant supervisors, stenographer, and eight instructors of various hobbies. This department has been developing and progressing with amazing results. They have received full cooperation from the adults throughout the center. Some of the outstanding activities presented were Shogi (chess) tournament, Goh tournament, and the variety shows for benefit drew nearly 2,000 people. On the serious side of adult leisure-time hobbies, there are Hokku and Senryu Kai. The latest accomplishment added to the adult department was the Naniwabushi program and Issei song-fest which were well attended with enthusiasm.

There are nine Agents who are more or less field workers. They are in contact with all the departments of the C. A. and their activities. They lend a hand to both young people and adults in their programs and have been very valuable, initiating programs with the other departments.

The Arts and Crafts, though working away from the C. A. Section, has been carrying on a very instructive work. Their staff includes a Supervisor, stenographer, drawing teacher, weaving instructors, property man, and sewing coordinator. One of the outstanding event was a hobby exhibit which was attended not only by the centerites, but by many notables from near by towns and cities. Classes in weaving, sewing, wood-carving, and flower arrangement has been continually growing with favorable results. They are planning their first graduation in costuming for April.

There are 21 members on the staff of the Athletic department. This comprises of a Supervisor, stenographer, Records and Statistics, Director of men's athletics, Director of women's athletics, hardball, basketball, football, touch football, wrestling, boxing, and judo commissioners, a custodian of property, Director of Filed and Maintenance, and sumo instructors. Some of the activities carried on were thrilling football games, basketball games, table-tennis tournaments, and sumo tournaments. To further encourage the

weaker athletic events, exhibitions in boxing, weight-lifting, and judo were given and the same group were invited to give the same exhibition to the citizens of McGehee.

Basketball contests are very popular with the girls and are in full swing at the present time.

Clubs and Organizations with a staff of Supervisor, stenographer, and seven club workers carry on the work for Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Y.B.A., Student Christian Association, and other clubs which include hobby clubs and those which are not affiliated with national organizations. At present there are 93 organized clubs of various types and out of this total, ten clubs have disbanded due to resettlement of their members. To go into further detail, there are 23 male independent clubs, 12 female independent clubs, 21 mixed clubs, 13 Y.W.C.A. clubs, 7 Y.M.C.A. clubs, 4 Boy Scout Troops, 4 Cub Scout Packs, and 9 Girl Scout Troops. The disbanded clubs are two female, two male, three mixed, one Y.W.C.A., and two Y.M.C.A.

The Boy Scouts of America has four Troops and four Cub Packs organized so far and there are about 75 more boys eligible to become Scouts or Cubs. Hiking and acting as hosts to visiting Scouts from McGehee and Monticello were the outstanding activities of the Boy Scouts. The visiting Scouts participated in the Field Day and Rally held here and there were many guests on that occasion also. Other guests were, Mr. Walter Head, National Scout Executive; Mr. Paul Justus of General American Life Insurance of St. Louis; Mr. E. A. Mathews of Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Mr. W. F. Pearce of McGehee, Arkansas; Mr. Zeb White, Scoutmaster of Monticello Troop; Coach Miller, Scoutmaster of McGehee Troop; Mr. Pomeroy of Monticello; Father Hugh Lavery of Los Angeles, California; and Oral Smith, an Executive of the De Soto Council.

The Boy Scouts had a Board of Review which made many of the boys eligible for merit award for the coming Court of Honor. The Scout leaders are showing as much enthusiasm as the boys themselves.

Although handicapped by lack of experienced leaders the nine Girl Scout Troops have been improving very rapidly under the leadership of the Scout Board and Troop Committee. Camp-fire meetings, Rally, and Benefit dance were the outstanding activities of the Girl Scouts. Mrs. Chester Marsh of the Arts and Craft Department of the Y.W.C.A. National Headquarters gave an intensive leadership training in hand-craft.

Y.M.C.A. program is at a stand-still and in order to encourage the program in the center a Board of Directors was formed. The Board is working very hard to promote various interesting programs for the boys and favorable information has been coming in from regional Y.M.C.A. in regards to help. A queen contest, sponsored by one of the "Y" clubs, known as Royal Dukes, was one of the most successful affair in this center. It was more or less a benefit drive in nature, and the proceeds of the drive was donated to the Outpost, Community Activities, and to the three churches.

Y.W.C.A. has had a very good start in promoting their program, having formed a Board and being very active in out of town conferences and meetings. Four members were invited to Helena, Arkansas and five other leaders took part in the Workshop held in Jackson, Mississippi. The Board played host to 60 Business and Professional women of Dumas, Arkansas. Miss Jimmie Woodward of St. Louis paid a visit to discuss problems.

Student Christian Association has not been very active as yet but they have selected officers and are getting into step rapidly.

The Y.B.A. has been continuing their activities in conjunction with the Buddhist Church. They have promoted a center-wide oratorical contest which brought out very good speakers and speeches.

The female, male, and mixed clubs not affiliated with national organizations, have been active in social and athletic events. In order to encourage educational activities, a Rohwer Club Council, represented by presidents of all the clubs and organizations in the center, was formed.

Library has been continuing its activities in its own way and we are proud to say that we have a neat little library. There are 1705 people registered in the library and there are about 20054 books and magazines in circulation. Most of the books and magazines were brought intact from Stockton Assembly Center and others were donated by American Friends Society, and few were purchased through the Center Procurement Section.

Public Relation program has been steadily progressing. We were invited by the Rotary Clubs of Crossett and Helena, Arkansas. Y's Men of Warren, Arkansas also invited our Y.M.C.A. leaders to speak before them. Women have been active along this line also, the business women of this center being invited to participate in the Little Rock Business Women's Society. Programs in which we have taken part has resulted with new invitations for the future.

There are 30 Public Service Halls in this center used for different purposes, as follows:

<u>Blocks</u>	<u>Portion</u>	<u>Use</u>
1	All	Open to block
2	All	Church (Protestant)
3	All	Open to block
4	All	Open to block
5	All	Open to block
6	All	Open to block on week days
		Sunday School for children on Sundays
7.	All	Open to block
8	All	Judo class
		Open to block
9	All	Sewing-Arts & Crafts
		Open to block
10	all	Movies-Co-op.
11	2/3	Church (Catholic)
	1/3	Open to block
12	All	Open to block

<u>Blocks</u>	<u>Portion</u>	<u>Use</u>
13	All	Shoe Department-Co-op.
14	1/3	Carving Class
	2/3	Open to block
15	All	Movies-Co-op.
16	All	Open to block
17	All	Weight-lifters
19	All	Library-Community Service
20	All	Church (Protestant)
23	All	Church (Buddhist)
24	All	Open to block
25	All	Open to block
26	All	Open to block
27	All	Utility, Signs & Posters, Athletic Dept. of Community Activities
28	All	Church (Buddhist)
29	All	Arts & Crafts Warehouse
31	All	Shop (Education)
32	2/3	Community Activities Office
	1/3	Open to Block
33	All	Movies, Co-op.
34	All	Judo classes, also used by block
35	All	Shop (Education)
38	All	Physical Education
39	All	Landscape Dept. also used by block
		Adult Property Room
40	1/3	Used for Agricultural purpose
41	2/3	Open to block
	1/3	Y.W.C.A. club room
42	All	Shoe Repair Shop, Co-op.

Religious activities are divided into Protestant, Catholic, and Buddhist. Their activities have been normal, the only change being an ever increasing attendance.

Protestant Church was visited by Mr. H. D. Hannaford, a Presbyterian from California, Dr. Kirby Page F.O.R. California, Mr. Nevine Sayre F.O.R. New York, Miss Florence Ramsey of Seattle, Washington, Dr. T. P. Harris of Little Rock, Rev. Paul Kennedy of Little Rock, and Dr. G. H. Chapman, Chairman Western Protestant Church of Berkley, California, Commission on Japanese Evacuee.

Catholic Church has just been started with Father Swift holding mass. Prior to getting the Catholics organized, Father Hugh Lavery of Los Angeles paid a visit to encourage his followers with good message.

Other than a visit by Rev. J. Goldwater from Los Angeles, the Buddhist group has been continuing as usual.

Signs and Posters with a staff of only three has been swamped with work. They not only made signs for the C. A. but also for other Divisions of the Center. The C. A. is proud to have such neat and efficient workers.

The Utility department, an all around group for the Community Activities, are doing various maintenance work. Though few in number they have been very cooperative and valuable to the C. A.

Young people's Social department has been concentrating their time on audition for the coming talent show. Though this department has been slow in getting the serious side of the social activities started, they have started a drama class and much is to be expected from them soon.

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During these past three months many of the center's scheduled out-door programs have been hampered by the unsettled condition of the weather, but in spite of these adverse conditions, the spirit was high and the activities continued in the best manner possible. For this coming spring such activities as marble contest, Easter egg hunt, visual education, club field days, center-wide adult program, center-wide Nisei talent show, new athletic events, outdoor songfests, and toy loan library are anticipated.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Approved by,

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SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

for Month of October, 1943

Since the loss of our acting director, we have been going on with our work as best as we can. The three supervisors have coordinated and have come to close relationship to carry out the C.A. work. Dr. Hunter, Chief of Community Management, has especially been helpful to us and the other administrators are very cooperative.

The personnel is pretty well taken care of. We have come within our quota in September, but have consequently lost the most important people, and since our quota was full, no replacements could be made.

We have initiated a Christmas committee which is a committee composed of two representatives from various organizations in the Center--Protestant and Catholic churches, school, Red Cross, Welfare, YWCA, Boy and Girl Scouts, PTA. A meeting was already held at the P.S.H. 52 at which time this committee was organized, officers selected and general preparations made. We are starting earlier this year to avoid last minute rush and to avoid shopping at the nearby town, which will thereby drain the stock from the local residents. Instead, preparations are going forth to purchase our Christmas toys, candies, etc. from larger cities elsewhere. Prior to the formation of this committee, we have received a message that there will be gifts coming in from friends again. All along Caucasian friends on the outside all over the United States are continuing to send in toys, books and games for the young children to play with, which have been turned in to Toyland and the Community library.

Service awards certificates were made and forwarded to the volunteer helpers of the Community Activities.

ARTS AND CRAFTS--

Remains unchanged. The seamstresses are still under the supervision of the C.A. Signs of voluntary activities are showing. Recently, an exhibition of tiny paper decorative dolls was held, which were ingenious works of art.

ATHLETICS--

The main field which was a softball diamond, has been converted into two football fields; one for tackle and one for touch. Had first football game with Jerome High School Varsity and the local Rohwer Light Weights in which they won. The Light Weights went to Jerome for the return game. Backboard is being made for a basketball court. The girls basketball league has had meetings and went on regularly as before. The girls softball of Denson came and played the local All-stars in which the local all stars won.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS--

Have lost its supervisor due to relocation. A replacement has been made in the title of Acting Director.

Boy Scouts--Continues their regular activities. Sale of Christmas cards still going forth.

Girl Scouts--Held Founder's Day Rally on a Saturday afternoon, with Mrs. Hunter as speaker and various skits were presented.

YWCA--Board meeting held and benefit bazaar was discussed. To be sponsored by the YW board and its clubs, articles made by the members, such as, beads, crocheted, embroidered handicrafts etc. will be sold to the Center residents. The profits made from the sale will be used to send delegates to conferences in surrounding cities and states next year. One of our girls will be sent to Memphis for public relations work to attend the 3 day-nationwide annual observance in November.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES--

Biwa program was held on October 4th. To draw a larger crowd, a play was combined with the "biwa uta"...something which has never been done before. The hi-light of the month was the Dai Engei Kai in commemorating our first year's anniversary in Rohwer Relocation Center.

The following films were shown during this month:

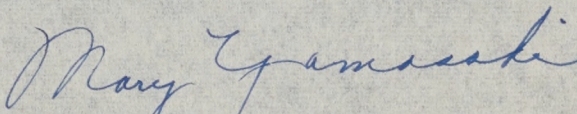
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- "Official United States Army Training Film"
- "The Southwest Speeds Defense"
- "When Nature Goes on a Rampage"

Office of War Information:

- "Pig Profits for Profit"
- "Wartime Farming in the Cornbelt"
- "Crystallized Sunshine From the Sunshine State"
- "Oddities of the Ohio Industry"
- "Ohio's Good Earth"
- "The Ohio State Fair"

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Yamasaki
Secretary

Act. for Kaz Ikebasu, Departmental Supr.
Community Activities

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1943

This month the Rohwer Community Activities played host to many notables/visitors from different outside National organizations.

Mr. Wilmer Kitchen of the YMCA in New York visited this Center for a few days in arranging and preparing the coming of the Leadership team composed of Messrs. Corwin, director of Boys Work of the National YMCA of New York; Arno Haack, Director of Relocation and Social Activities of Washington University in St. Louis, Mo.; J.B. Thompson, Pastor of Presbyterian Church of Norman, Oklahoma. We have had several conferences and discussions with Mr. Kitchen in regards to the three-day Leadership Institute, and upon the arrival of the Leadership team we have had a series of meetings, discussions, and panels with high school groups, church groups, and representatives from different organizations in the Center, which continued for three interest-packed days.

Among the other visitors which we had the pleasure of escorting throughout the Center were Mrs. Stringfellow Reed and Mrs. Crandell from the Northwestern Arkansas Times of Fayetteville, Arkansas; Miss Robertson of the Baptist Church in St. Louis, Miss Browinger of Kansas City of the Federated Church Councils; Lt. Ferris of the Wacs; Mr. Choate, Relocation Officer of Denver Area; Mrs. Booth of Cincinnati, wife of Mr. Raymond Booth, Relocation Officer in that city; Harry Mayeda, former supervisor of Community Activities in Tule Lake Relocation Project; Rev. Kono, of the Buddhist Church in Jerome.

The Christmas Committee, composed of representatives from Community Organizations such as school, Red Cross, Girl and Boy Scout leaders, churches, welfare, etc. have merged with the church Christmas committee and have had a re-election of the officers. Plans for the holiday season is under way. The gifts are rolling in from all parts of the country and they are being tabbed and classified to be ready for distribution.

ARTS AND CRAFTS--

Remains unchanged.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT--

The Community activities football team played the Jerome High School light
~~Had football game in which the Community Activities team played the Denson High School lightweight. Due to a heavy demand in basketball this year we have been making basketball courts, adding two more courts to what we had last year. These two new courts will be a decided improvement to last year's courts. In doing so we have looked into the matter of safety for the players. We have given various awards and certificates to teams winning the championship in various sports during the summer.~~

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS--

Actively participated in the Leadership Training meetings and preparations.....YWCA members in preparation for Bazaar to be held next month. The Y Board elected new officers to carry on future activities of the Center....representative, Miss Grayce Kaneda was sent to speak to the YWCA at Memphis, Tenn. The YMCA was kept busy with the Leadership Team as explained in previous page.

COMMUNITY ENTERTAINMENT--

No outstanding or significant activities during this month. However, preparations are being made for a gala New Year's celebration. Films shown this month were:

"Ready on the Home Front"
"The Warning"
"Wireless Telephony"
"New Work Broadcasting"

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary
Acting for Kaz Ikebasu
Departmental Supervisor
Community Activities

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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ARTS & CRAFTS

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Tot. Instr.</u>	<u>Tot. Attendance</u>
26	Weaving	52	200
26	Woodcarving & Drawing	26	790
<hr/> 52		<hr/> 78	<hr/> 990
			1068

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Tot. Part.</u>	<u>Tot. Attendance</u>
24	Tackle Football	1955	8477
21	Touch Football	1395	1410
45	Men's Basketball	1065	1255
35	Women's Basketball	637	695
78	Table Tennis	875	580
35	Weightlifting	1025	695
10	Judo	320	220
37	Chinning Bar	498	290
17	Outdoor Badmington	112	73
20	Horseshoe	170	65
6	Volleyball	180	80
<hr/> 336		<hr/> 8405	<hr/> 13968
			22373

BOY SCOUTS

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present of Members</u>	
1	Scoutmasters Roundtable Meeting	6	6
2	Cubbing Pack 90 Pack Meeting	18	
4	Cubbing Pack 90 Den Meeting	16	
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Total Brought Forward.....23441

BOY SCOUTS (cont.)

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present of Members</u>
2 Cubbing Pack 93	Pack Meeting	26
14 Cubbing Pack 93	Den Meeting	52
1 Cubbing Pack 93	Handicraft Contest	17
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17		95
4 Troop 90	Troop Meeting	89
4 Troop 90	Patrol Leaders Meeting	33
4 Troop 90	Senior Patrol Meeting	14
15 Troop 90	Patrol Meeting	75
1 Troop 90	Joint Meeting	37
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28		248
4 Troop 91	Troop Meeting	88
7 Troop 91	Patrol Meeting	49
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11		137
4 Troop 92	Troop Meeting	68
1 Troop 92	Joint Meeting	35
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5		103
4 Troop 93	Troop Meeting	93
2 Troop 93	Patrol Leaders Meeting	11
1 Troop 93	Special Meeting	5
23 Troop 93	Patrol Meeting	78
1 Troop 93	Joint Meeting	35
1 Troop 93	Troop anniversary banquet	28
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32		250
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100	GRAND TOTAL EVENTS	GRANT TOTAL PRESENT 873

GIRL SCOUTS

<u>No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
20	Business Meeting	169
1	Leaders' Meeting	5

Total Brought Forward..... 24314

GIRL SCOUTS (cont.)

<u>No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
1	Practice for Rally	33
1	Founder Day Rally	12
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23		219

INDEPENDENT CLUBS

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
2	Cabinet Meeting	26
2	Committee Meeting	24
1	Football Meeting	23
1	Get - together social	40
1	Farewell Party	15
111	Business Meeting	162
2	Social	300
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120		590

Y.M.C.A.

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
13	Leadership Meetings	500
4	Hl - Y Business Meeting	80
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17		580

Y.W.C.A.

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
1	Singspiration	31
17	Business Meeting	185
1	Trip to Memphis Conference	1
1	" " Jerome Conference	1
1	Preparation for Bazaar	8
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21		226

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

Buddhist

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
6	Sunday School	43	1543
4	Y.B.A.	4	1484

Total Brought Forward.....25929

Buddhist (cont.)

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
4	Adult Service	4	2629
15	Memorial Services	15	885
4	Funerals	4	1074
1	Wake Services	1	276
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34		67	7891

Minister: Rev. Kono -- Jerome Relocation Center
Denson, Arkansas

CATHOLIC

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
4	Sunday School	200
2	Choir Practice	30
12	Night Prayer	36
4	Children Instr.	20
12	Daily Mass	24
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34		310

PROTESTANT

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
5	Sunday School	2421
5	Worship Service	1342
4	Sunday Eve. Meeting	72
4	Evang. and Bible Study	234
5	Y.P.C.F.	200
2	Women's Meeting & Brotherhood	80
5	Prayer Meeting	233
5	Daily Devotion	400
1	Lectures	313
1	Business Meeting	22
1	Sunday School Teachers	30
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36		5347

Visitors: Rev. John McConnell - Fayetteville, Ark.
Dr. T. Maxfield Garrot - McGehee, Ark.
Rev. Shinpachi Kanow - Jerome, Ark.
Rev. Isamu Nakamura - Jerome, Ark.
Rev. Kunishichi Inori - Jerome, Ark.
Maj. Masahide Imai - Jerome, Ark.

Total Brought Forward.....39477

COMMUNITY ENTERTAINMENT

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Totl Attendance</u>
1	P.T.A. Meeting	12	200
1	Ren-mei-kai		25
1	Delta Damsel (Bunking Party)		12
1	Gidayu-aki	18	400
1	Flower Exhibit	20	600
1	Biwa Tai-kai	15	600
1	Adult Meeting	1	30
5	Indoor Movie	15	2102
1	Welcome & Farewell Social	2	40
1	Movie Entertainment - Blk.	38 4	800
7	Socials	72	643
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20		165	5452

TOYLAND

Attendance	610
No. games loaned out	100
No. games used at toyland	499
Mostly attended by what age group	5 - 14
How many registered	6

Total number of individual participation and spectator attendance is Community Activities Program. 45539

Submitted by,

Kaz Ikebasu
Kaz Ikebasu
Departmental Supervisor
Community Activities

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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OFFICE SUPPLIES ISSUED

Articles	4720.1	4720.3	4720.5	4720.6	Total
1. Envelopes, WRA Franked each		100			100
2. Envelopes, WRA Kraft Franked, each		2		1	3
3. Folder, Manila each		2		1	3
4. Paper, Bond typing ream	1/2	1/2		1/4	1 1/4
5. Paper, carbon each	25				25
6. Paper, Manifold ream	1/2	3/4		1/4	1 1/2
7. Paper, WRA Stationery ream			1/5		1/5
8. Stencil, each		3		3	6
9. Thumb Tax, box				1	1
10. Tablet, lined, large each	1				1

4720.1	Athletic Dept.
4720.3	Clubs & Organizations
4720.5	Library
4720.6	Community Entertainment

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Items Received during month of Nov. 1943

OFFICE SUPPLIES

(Expendable)

Item No.	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Amt.	Amt.
1.	Typewriter ribbon	ea.	2	.18	.66
2.	Paper bond	ream	2	.55	1.10
3.	Stencil #960	quire	1	1.73	1.73
4.	Pencils lead	doz.	2	.0165	.40
5.	Wire basket tray	ea.	2	.12	.24
6.	Envelopes	box	1		1.45
7.	Paper manifold white	ream	2	.38	.76
8.	Paper carbon	box	2	.5495	1.10

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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MIMEOGRAPH REQUESTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title of Form</u>	<u>No. Wanted</u>
November 2	Biwa	500
3	Community Entertainment Bulletin	75
8	Buddhist Church notices	1700
8	Club Memorandum	200
10	Buddhist Church notices	200
15	Music Sheets	1000
18	Library Over-due Notices	500
18	Religious Activities Weekly Report Sheet	500
18	Leadership Institute Training Program	100
20	Church Program	250
22	Club Memorandum	200
22	Sond Sheets	500
26	GR Sond Sheets	1350
26	YW Bulletin	250
27	Sen-ryu	400
	Community Entertainment Notice	1500
	Center-wide Leadership Institute Program	250

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Items Received during month of Nov., 1943

PROPERTY CONTROL

(Non-expendable)

Item No.	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Amt.	Amt.
1.	Water pitcher	ea.	1	.85	
2.	Bucket 10 qt.	ea.	1	.48	
3.	Stove shovel	ea.	1	.06	

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Items Received during month of Nov., 1943

PROPERTY CONTROL

(Expendable)

Item No.	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Amt.	Amt.
1.	Metal buttons	box	1	n/p	
2.	Brooms	ea.	6 6	.67	4.02
3.	Mop head	ea.	2	.3995	.80
4.	Mop handle	ea.	3	.15	.45
5.	Brown wrapping paper	roll	1	n/p	
6.	Thread size #30 brown	ea.	144	.0375	5.55
7.	Material cotton print	yd.	48	.20	9.60

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Items Received during month of Nov. 1943

PROCUREMENT

(Non-expendable)

Item No.	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Amt.	Amt.
1.	Compass Metal length 12"	ea.	1		

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 1944

The month of January has opened with a voluntary service to the Center wood committee by the male staffs of the Community Activities. The Center activities have been curtailed for about ten days to take part as lumberjacks to help out in alleviating the Center fuel problem. Many of the planned programs have also been extended by the unsettled condition of the weather and the precautionary measure taken by the residents against the flu.

Each department was suggested the following programs to be included in the schedule:

Community Activities

1. Essay Contest
2. Creation of Rohwer Center Museum or permanent exhibit building.
3. Creation of Host and Hostess committee for public relation.
4. Victory garden contest
5. Block beautification contest
6. Center wide spring carnival
7. Summer program for school children
8. Pioneer Day (Sept. 19)

Arts & Crafts

1. Handicraft exhibits
2. Have open house often to acquaint the residents with type of craft activities offered.

Athletic

1. Continuation of physical fitness program
2. Reviving of women's and girls' athletic program

Clubs and Organization

1. Create more inter-club activities (to create closeness of clubs)
2. Create speakers bureau
3. Create hobby clubs
4. Create charter and membership card system for all organized clubs and organization in the Center.

Community Entertainment

1. Utilize well known days of the year to present fitting program for the occasion. In another Americanization programs.

2. Kite flying contest
3. Easter egg hunt
4. Marble contest
5. Queen contest
6. Wild life exhibit

Toyland

1. Reviving of story telling period for children

ARTS & CRAFTS

The weaving activities have been very popular and the place full everyday. Many have woven rugs with old clothes and cloths and some have woven material out of linen and woolen yarns and some have woven afghans and other materials of necessities. The place has grown ever popular and it was further suggested the possibilities of forming a weaving class which may be materialized soon.

The woodcarving class has been a place to spend a profitable evenings during these cold days for many. The new type of carving have been made during this month and its development is quite noticeable.

It is planned that the Arts & Crafts exhibit will be given in a near future.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

In the month of January the Athletic Program was greatly curtailed and its pre-planned program had to be extended. The following were some of the reasons:

1. Beginning January 3rd, for the following two weeks all the staff members of the men's department was ordered to report to their respective block for the purpose of working as a lumberjack to relieve the wood shortage in the Center. The men's staff is still being released to their respective block when their block are working on wood.
2. A general epidemic of mild flu and various sickness among the Center Resident prevailed on account of which the general planned program had to be extended.
3. Bad weather has hampered the general outdoor program.

The future program will be as follows: At the present moment the out-look for the condition of the extended program - that of organizing the men and women, Jr. and Sr., basketball league of the entire Center - the holding of Center wide elimination table tennis tournament, both in the men and women division - the organizing of Center wide volleyball league in the women's division - all will be intensified due mainly to the request from the people of the Center to the Athletic Depart.

Meanwhile, three additional basketball courts has been added to the individual blocks making a total of 22 complete basketball playing courts in the Center. This will enable the Athletic Department to add extra leagues in the Center. The new league in addition to the leagues organized last year will be the promoting and organizing of Block Basketball League.

The indoor sport such as weightlifting, wrestling, table tennis, etc. is progressing with even tempo, as of last year.

The horseshoe tournament as well as playing of horseshoe in each individual block, will be intensified as the weather gets warmer, and ground drier.

The meeting of the Center, people interested in, golf was recently held and close to 75 individual people came to the first meeting. Plans for the making of 3 hole golf course was presented by its committee to the Athletic Department. The department is cooperating and negotiation is now under way.

The long ranged program of the department at this time will be to institute certain type of physical fitness program, such as tumbling and mass callisthenics in each block.

Signed - GEORGE SUZUKI

CLUB AND ORGANIZATION

The staff members have been busy lending hand in the activities of the following organizations:

Y.W.C.A.

New Officers of the Y.W.C.A. board were elected. Monetary donations were made to the National Y.W.C.A., Rohwer U.S.O. and Rohwer High School year book fund. It was planned to have two girls attend the leaders conference at Jackson, Miss. Also to have one representative from each club to attend neighborhood conferences. Benefit Carnation sale is set for May. New Y.W. affiliate club known as the Young Matrons club was organized.

Y.M.C.A.

Rohwer High School Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y clubs are now a member of the Rohwer Y.M.C.A. Charter and membership cards from the National Y.M.C.A. is still pending. Arrangements are being made to have Y boys attend some nearby conferences and summer camps.

GIRL SCOUTS

Scout activities have been continuing as usual. Arrangements have been made to have three leaders attend the Girl Scout Conference at Little Rock in February.

BOY SCOUTS

Quarterly Scout Court of Honor was held and many honors have been presented. Explorer patrol and air scout patrol were organized and added to the Rohwer scouting activities.

Following programs for the year were planned by the Scouters:

February 9.	Scouting Program at High School Assembly Bldg. 35.
" 13.	Scout Sunday, Scouting Program at RFCC and Buddhist Church.
March 4	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32.
" 6	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M., Place P.S.H. 2
" 18	Center Scout Field Day
April 8	Joint Court of Honor at Jerome Relocation Center, Denson, Arkansas.
" 15	Center Scout-Cub Kite and Model Airplane Contest.
May 6	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32
" 8	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M., Place P.S.H. 2
" 13, 20, & 27	Center Scout Soft Ball Tournament.
June 3	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32
" 5	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2
" 19, - 23	Camping and swimming, Lake Village or Arkansas City, Arkansas.
July 7	Court of Honor, 7:30 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2
" 22	Center Scout Campfire and Rally.
August 5	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32
" 7	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2.
" 19	Nature Hike to the Farm.
September 2	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32.
" 4	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2
" 13	Scout songfest and inspirational talk by noted speaker.
October 6	Court of Honor, 7:30 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2
" 13	Christmas Card Sale Begins
" 21	Scout Theater Party
" 28	Christmas Card Sale ends
November 4	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32.
" 6	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2
" 17 - 19	Winter overnight camping
December 2	Application deadline for Board of Review, 12 noon, P.S.H. 32.
" 4	Board of Review, 7:00 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2
" 22	Community Service for Christmas Committee
" 25	Christmas Program, Troop Parties
January 5	Court of Honor, 7:30 P.M. Place P.S.H. 2

The above scheduled program is tentative and is subject to change without notice by the commissioner's staff and scoutmaster's roundtable meeting, at which time, will carry out or make changes as see fit.

U.S.O.

Through voluntary services of Mr. Kaz Saito and others, the Rohwer U.S.O. building was put into usable condition. Two meetings were called for the parents and relatives of those in the armed forces which resulted in organization of the Rohwer U.S.O.

Two day entertainment was given to honor the nisei soldiers with 40 members of 422nd from Camp Shelby, Mississippi as special guests.

Many individuals and organization of the Center have shared their time to help make the occasion successful. Many are still offering their help in the interior decorating of the building which it is hoped to be completed soon.

Other Clubs

Activities of the other clubs have been mostly socials. It is planned to have these clubs take part in the bandage rolling for the center hospital from February. These clubs will also give services to the U.S.O.

Library

During the month of January the librarian taught three classes in the use of the library in preparing a bibliography for term papers. The librarian is starting classes in library instruction for each home room of the junior high school, taking two home room periods a week. At block 35 school library there was a change in staff when Alyce Watanabe left to relocate; she is replace by Hideko Nakamura. Circulation at the Community library during the month of January is about 2,000 less on account of being closed nights due to illness and lumberjacking. The community library compiled and distributed mimeographed book lists. There was also an effective book exhibit on the theme, "BOOK IN A WORLD AT WAR".

Community Entertainment

Upon request ^{of the} ~~all~~ the residents four day program was presented during the New Year's Holiday. It was one of the finest ever presented to the Center. The cast was made up of all men except for one girl.

The play for the month of February is now being planned which will be composed of cast of all girls. One of the feature of the program will be odori. This group is very fortunate to have a visiting dancing teacher from Colorado ^{to} cooperate with the teachers here in aiding this program.

There was an informal get-together held with voluntary block entertainment representatives and Community Entertainment

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staff. Since the block representatives is constantly changing it was good opportunity to renew acquaintances.

Other plans for the coming month are presentation of outdoor variety entertainment program if program permits.

TOYLAND

Due to unsettled condition of the weather and precautionary measure taken by the parents for the children, the ever popular place of Toyland for the youngster have been quiet this month. There are new addition of toys added to the toyland from the friends on the outside. It is, also, hoped that the story telling hour will be revived again. As weather continues to get warmer we will a-gain be having a very busy toyland.

By,

Dorothy Sugita

Dorothy Sugita
Clerk Typist
Community Activities

Approved by,

Kaz Ikebasu

Kaz Ikebasu
Departmental Supervisor
Community Activities

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1944

The unsettled condition of weather has still prolonged many of the activities planned by various departments of the Community Activities Section.

This section has again taken a personnel cut by recommendation of the Personnel Department. The original quota of 50 has been changed to 41 with definite job titles as follows:

Assistant C. A. Supervisor	Handicraft Instructor
Dist. Supervisor	Handicraft Instructor
Dist. Supervisor	Playground Supervisor
Clerk-stenographer	Playground Supervisor
Art Production Worker	Playground Supervisor
P.A. Technician	Playground Supervisor
P.A. Technician	Director of Men's Athletic
Director of Movies	Director of Women's Athletic
Maintenance Ass't.	Athletic Instructor
Director Community Entertainment	Athletic Instructor
Maintenance Ass't.	Associate Librarian
Ass't. Director Community Ent.	Assistant Librarian
Director Clubs & Organization	Assistant Librarian
Club Advisor	Assistant Librarian
Club Advisor	Assistant Librarian
Club Advisor	Assistant Librarian
Director of Adult Activities	Toyland Game Instructor
Handicraft Instructor	Toyland Game Instructor
Handicraft Instructor	Toyland Game Instructor
Handicraft Instructor	Clerk Typist
	Clerk Typist

In order to bring out the education side of the C. A. program, a Center wide essay contest will probably be announced sometime in March.

ARTS & CRAFTS

The weaving and the woodcarving activities have been continuing without slackening and it is hoped that the Arts and Crafts exhibit will be given soon.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Though the rainy days have prolonged many of the planned activities, the Y.B.A. basketball tournament and the Center wide table tennis contests were held.

The planned Block Basketball League and the Independent League due to the wet grounds are hoped to be action in March. Also, U. S. Volleyball skill contest will be held for the junior and intermediate boys and girls. Old timers' softball league is hoped to be in action this coming month.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The club workers of this department have been kept quite busy this month in lending hand in the activities of the following organizations:

Y.W.C.A.

Misses Terry Oga and Margaret Kobayashi represented the Rohwer Y.W.C.A., at the Girl Reserve Advisers conference held in Jackson, Mississippi. One representative and one booster from each of the five G. R. club totaling ten have been selected to attend the G. R. conference at Little Rock this coming month.

Y.M.C.A.

Tri-Hi-Y club gave a pop-corn sale to help raise toward the school year book fund. The Hi-Y and the Tri-Hi-Y club are sponsoring jointly to further help toward the fund by having a tamale sale this coming month.

The Rohwer Y.M.C.A. will help finance a representative and a booster to the G. R. conference at Little Rock this coming month.

GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouts had a representation, Miss Sada Tanino, at the Scouters conference at Little Rock on February 7 - 10. Other activities have been continuing on even keel.

BOY SCOUTS

To remember the Boy Scouts Week the Scouts and Scouters of this Center gave a two day program at the junior and senior high schools. The Church services, both Protestant and the Buddhist, were also conducted by the Scouts.

Leadership training for the explorer and the air scouts are being conducted by the District Commissioners.

U.S.O.

This organization is rounding into shape and before long they will be buzzing with activities for soldiers in the Armed Force of America.

Secretary has been selected and with the aid of the Board of Advisors many activities have been planned - such as Athletic contests.

OTHER CLUBS

Many farewell socials have been given by the independent clubs and this have been the main activities of this group.

LIBRARY

The circulation in the Center Library have been ever growing and more so when new addition of books have been added to the circulation.

A leaflet on new books which are available in the Library are being mimeographed.

Also many leadership materials for various national organizations have been added in the Library.

COMMUNITY ENTERTAINMENT

Three day farewell program for the members of the Hasegawa troupe have been given at three mess halls. The casts were composed of all girls which were the intact group that presented the program at the 1939 San Francisco Worlds Fair.

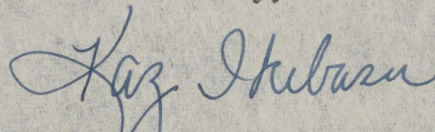
First Center wide "Goh" contest was held by the "Rohwer Goh" Club. The winner of the perpetual trophy was Mr. F. Yada. Many more interesting contests are being planned.

This department has helped in movies presented by the Red Cross, High School, and the Clubs of the High School.

TOYLAND

In spite of the rainy days the attendance at the toyland have been increasing. It is planned to have children's record hour as one of its program beside story telling hour.

Submitted by,



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Assistant Supervisor
Community Activities

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1944

Many interesting activities have been presented as we entered the month of March which will be explained in the department by department reports. The Community Activities Section is now readjusted in its personnel set-up since receiving definite job classifications. The Community Activities has had the privilege of meeting our new Community Activities Adviser of Washington who has come and sit down with us and talked over and discussed many interesting phases of the Community Activities.

The activities by the departments were as follows:

Arts and Crafts

Weaving activities have been continuing as usual. A center-wide woodcarving exhibit has been held by the woodcarving group. Many interesting masterpieces have been shown and it has been visited by many friends from the outside as well as the center residents. At present, one of the former handicraft instructors is holding a private exhibit which is open to all visitors both in and outside of the center.

Athletic Department.

The scheduled athletic program has been continuing in spite of the wet condition of the field. A softball contest was held between the center all-stars and the Rohwer Military Police. A return game will be held upon settling a convenient date. Many of the older men are very happy to hear that a five hole golf course plan has gone into effect and will be laid out on the south end of the Jr. High School ground. The golf enthusiasts have formed a group to layout the course and will be working on it as soon as the weather gets more favorable.....The United States Volleyball Skill Contest was held for the boys and girls of intermediate and junior ages. The results have been tabulated and sent in to the Volleyball Association for final recognition. The Community Activities is in hopes that our contestants may stand a possibility of receiving recognition.....Last if not least, the old men are beginning to take an active interest again with the national pastime, softball. Several games between the old men group have been played and its scheduled league for this group is in process of being organized.

Clubs and Organization

Club Advisors of this department have been kept very busy in lending their hands in activities of the following organizations:

Y.W.C.A.,....Eight members of the Rohwer Girl Reserve Clubs represented the Rohwer Girl Reserves at a conference in Little Rock in the first part of the month. Many favorable reports have been received, not only by our representative but also from the other representatives who had attended the same conference.

Y.W.C.A.....The Jr. Matron's Club had the privilege of having Mrs. Don Leveck, president of the Pens Club of Little Rock, as a speaker.....The Y.W.C.A. Board is planning to send representatives to the coming conference of the Girl Reserve Advisers at Little Rock and is also planning to have a Mother's Day Carnation Sale to further raise funds to send representatives to conferences.

Y.M.C.A.....Two representatives from the Tri Hi-Y were also included with the Girl Reserve representatives to attend the Girl Reserve conference at Little Rock. Expenses were borne by the Y.M.C.A. of Rohwer. This club has applied for their charter and membership cards to the State Y.M.C.A. of Pennsylvania and is hoping to receive them soon.....The Hi-Y was represented at the Student Y.M.C.A. Southwest Area Conference at Ft. Worth, Texas. This is the first time that Japanese representatives were present at conferences held at Texas since evacuation. Many complimentary remarks have been forwarded to these representatives and they were asked again to be present at another meeting which will be held again sometime in May.....The Hi-Y is now proud possessors of their National membership charter and membership cards.

Girl Scouts.....In spite of few leaders, the activities of the Girl Scouts have been kept up and Clubs and Organization is working very hard to see that the new leaders are provided for them. An offer to help in ways of Girl Scout facilities has been received from a friend in Belthi, Indiana.

Boy Scouts.....Some of the main activities besides the regular activities of the Boy Scouts were a Field Day Rally and presentation of awards for the Field Day participants. The Boy Scouts gave a talk on promotion in a Boy Scout program to the sixth graders of the Rohwer Elementary School. Overnight camping was held in the woods for the Boy Scouts and a day hike was held for the cubs. Board of Review was held to test the boys for the award for the coming Court of Honor.

USO.....USO has been rounding into shape and voluntary services given by many has been wonderful. Every weekend has been just full of activities and interesting times for the visiting soldiers, not only from Camp Shelby but from other camps. The Hostess Club, under the USO, has been formed and they have taken care of most of the planning of the USO activities. The administration has rendered a big help in seeing this organization get started and many are rendering valuable services in seeing that this organization is carried on.

Other Clubs.....Many farewell socials have been continued by independent clubs. Some of the clubs have been sponsoring programs to help raise the High School Year Book fund and it is very interesting to note the interest many of these organizations have for each other.

Library

There is nothing new to add for the Library. Only that many more new children's books have been added to the circulation. Also, the library has been visited by well known personalities from the outside with nothing but favorable comments left by them.

Community Entertainment

In order to celebrate the Girls' Day, March 3rd, a three day Community Entertainment program was given by the Miyazaki Troupe. The program was given at the Jr. High School Study Hall.....A shogi contest was held under the auspices of the Community Entertainment Department. Many practical prizes were given..... Through kindness of a resident of this center, an entertaining film was offered by him and was shown to the residents free of charge, through the Community Entertainment Department. This department has also helped in showing pictures to the students of school. (educational film.) Also, rendered services by helping the club sponsor a Rohwer High School Year Book Benefit fund which was well responded. This department has also been facilitating the program needs in the school, such as stage, curtain, and the P.A. system. A farewell program for those who are leaving for Tule Lake and a welcome program for the groups coming in from Jerome Relocation Center are being planned and prepared. Windy April is going to find many kite flying enthusiasts as this department has plans to sponsor a kite flying contest.

Toyland

Toyland is again a very popular place for the children and since the weather has been much more favorable, the attendance has been increasing. Community Activities has purchased some children's records and is planning to put the phonograph hour in the program of Toyland. Also, children's checker contest will soon be held. A Toyland attendant has been thinking of creating various interesting hours to make the Toyland ever more enjoyable for the children's leisure time.

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1944

The Community Activities Section is very grateful to the Administration for making it possible to have in this section an appointed personnel as Supervisor of Community Activities. He is Dr. Nat Griswold, formerly Supervisor of Adult Education.

This month finds the program on the upward trend with variety of activities offered and in spite of the wet season this part of the country is now in, there hasn't been too much of an interference.

To start off the general Community Activities program, the Community Activities has been asked by the Nisei soldiers of the 442nd Combat Team of Camp Shelby to give an Easter Egg Hunt for the children between the ages of three and twelve, inclusive. The boys have donated the following items which made it possible to make the event an enjoyable one for the children. 93 boxes of hard candy, 13 cases of eggs, (4680 eggs) 1500 pints of ice cream, 9 dolls for prizes, and one large wooden box of used civilian shoes which the soldiers couldn't use due to army order. It was very unfortunate that the rain made it impossible to make the hunt in the open field as originally planned. The male members of the Community Activities staff distributed the eggs, ice cream, candies, and prizes to the blocks and the patients of the hospital and the children of the administration also were included in this affair. These boys also have made it possible to have chairs and couches and the like for the USO and also the playground equipment for the young children of the center. The credit for making such possible goes to Mr. Finch, a businessman in Hattiesburg, Mississippi and with the kind donation made by the Nisei boys of Camp Shelby.

The Supervisor of Community Activities has been asked to be the Coordinator for the Summer Program this year. The various chairmans of the activities have been selected and the program will be set to be put into force on May 29.

The visitors we had the honor of having were Mr. N.E. Viles of the WRA Education Bureau at Washington, D.C.; Dr. Golda Van Buskirk, English teaching expert from the Washington Office and Miss Watson of Baptist Church of Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

The activities by the departments were as follows:

Arts and Crafts

Arts and crafts have been continuing as usual and have been doing good work in spite of being shorthanded in personnel and woodcarving also have been continuing as usual. The committee

has been selected to work on possibilities of locating a place to have a center exhibit room or a center museum.

Athletic Department

There have been many inter-center athletic contests held with Denson and the contests held with them were in judo, basketball, softball, and hardball.....The golf course has been tried by the members of the golf committee which is temporarily laid out on the south end of the Jr. High School ground. It is hoped that it won't be long before the course will be used by many golf enthusiasts.....The basketball season has just about come to an end in this center. Many championship games are now scheduled.... The national pastime softball and hardball are beginning to take place of basketball and it is hoped that many good teams will be organized to offer thrills to the ball fans.

Clubs and Organization

The Clubs and Organization personnel staff has been completely changed due to relocation but the activities of this department have been kept up wonderfully and many new activities are being planned for the clubs. The club advisors of this department have been kept busy in aiding the activities of the following organization:

Y.W.C.A. - Two YW Board members attended the YW conference held at Little Rock and they brought home many valuable leadership materials as well as favorable reports for the YW representatives.....Coordinator for the Y.W.C.A. has been chosen at the YW Board meeting, who will be under the payroll of the YWCA in New York directly.....One of the activities of the YW is to make carnations for Mother's Day to raise funds for the conference expenses of the representatives. Miss Leta Galpin, Girl Reserve Secretary from the National YW spent three days with the group and has advised toward further developments of the YW activities in the G.R. field.

Y.M.C.A. - The Secretary of the YM Board attended the Arkansas State S.C.A. conference held at Fayetteville, Arkansas and has brought home many favorable reports and experiences. The expense was borne by the Y.M.C.A. Board.....The Hi-Y and Tri Hi-Y have taken part in the carnival which was held to raise the school year book fund.... Hi-Y has also sponsored a visual education in physical program to the students of Rohwer High School.....The Secretary of the Board is making contact with neighbor Y.M.C.A.'s to see the possibilities of having some of the Rohwer boys attend summer camps.

Girl Scouts - Activities of Girl Scouts have been continuing as usual. This group is still in need of leaders and the Clubs and Organizations is doing all they can to see that such is made possible for them.

Boy Scouts - Boy Scouts has lost one of the most capable leaders this center has had. He was awarded an Eagle Scout award at the Court of Honor which was held this month. The Scouts of this center have been invited to the Area Conference at El Dorado but due to the inconvenience of transportation, it was regrettably impossible to attend.....Many interesting summer programs have been planned by the local Council such as Boy Scout Summer Camp, Boy Scout softball league, handicraft activities and various merit badge counselling activities. Though many leaders are being drained from the group, the enthusiasm to continue the activities of this group being so great many of the boys have volunteered their services to see that the activities are carried on.

U.S.O. - The organization is now fairly well established and its program has been running very smoothly. Aside from entertaining soldiers on weekends, there has been a social for the Hostess Club and a party for the first group of boys who have been inducted into the reserves of the U.S. Army.....USO room has received fixtures for the reception room and chairs for the hall from the boys of the 442nd Combat Team of Camp Shelby.

Other Clubs - With the announcement that the segregation program would be carried on in the middle of May many of the independent groups have been giving farewell socials as well as entertainments.

Library

The library has added to its circulation some more new Japanese books received through the Red Cross of Japan. It is happy to note how well these books are put in to use and accepted by the residents and it is hoped that some more may be added to the circulation.

Community Entertainment

Many farewell entertainment programs have been offered to the residents, either by block sponsorship or through the sponsorship of Community Entertainment. A two day farewell entertainment was held at the high school study hall. There were also farewell entertainments given in blocks by biwa and gidayu groups.....The residents of block eight have gotten together and had a picnic in the block with plenty of eats and entertainment.....Community Entertainment department has helped in operating the projection machine for the high school carnival and also for the physical education film sponsored by the Rohwer Hi-Y.....A monthly shogi and goh tournament has also been held.

Toyland

With days getting longer and weather much more favorable the attendance at Toyland has increased. The attendants of Toyland have sponsored a checker contest for the children between the ages of 7 and 11. The winners of the contest were a boy and girl....The Community Activities is now in possession of children's phonograph records and it has been used at the kindergarten and nursery of the school.

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1944

The month of May finds many new activities on the calendar. The Community Activities is taking part in the Summer Activities program which includes drama, informal sports, organized sports, visual education, day time camping, arts and crafts, music, story telling, sewing and doll making, and current events groups. These activities started on the last week of this month. Another activity planned for the coming summer is the "Festival Week" to be held on first week of July under the auspices of Community Council in which the Community Activities will take part by giving a three days carnival. A welcome program is planned for the new residents from Jerome to Rohwer.

The Community Activities section has been losing many of its leaders to relocation and it is hoped that many of their places will be filled by the new residents.

The activities by the departments were as follows:

ARTS AND CRAFTS:

The weaving department has continued as usual and the attendance have been on the waiting list and inspite of being short handed the situation has been well handled.

The woodcarving class also have been on a steady pace. It is hoped to have a Center exhibit room for various crafts work, painting and such as soon as a building is made available.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT:

There have been many inter-center farewell contests held with Denson which has kept the morale of both Center high since segregation and transfer to other Centers have been officially announced. The contest were in softball, hardball, judo, and sumo. Also a hardball contest with the Camp Shelby was held in this Center. The basketball season ended with the championship games for the girls and boys. The golf course is still in process of being made and have been detained due to many days of unexpected rain but it is hope to be in use for the golfers soon as the ground permits the tractor to work on the field. The softball season has just begun for the softball sport enthusiast in the Center and many interesting and thrilling games will be offered to the fans.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

This department, though, short handed, due to relocation of its staff members, have kept up wonderfully and have lended hands in the activities for the following organizations:

Y.W.C.A.

YWCA had an opportunity to have Mrs. Winon Chambers from

the national YWCA to help further the activities of this organization. The coordinator for the YWCA have been selected and put on the national YWCA payroll. They are planning to send out several girls to the Girl Reserve Conference at Little Rock and also planning to send a leader to a conference at Hot Springs. One of the YWCA club known as the Matrons club is planning to hold a baby show.

Y.M.C.A.

Rohwer YMCA was visited by a newly appointed Southwest Area YMCA executive secretary who has come to get further acquainted with the Japanese and the Center activities as well as the YMCA program. The YMCA has planned to celebrate the 100th year anniversary of the founding of YMCA on June 6.

The Hi-Y has sponsored a Rohwer High School Athletic Award Assembly, the president of the Hi-Y was awarded the all around trophy from the Hi-Y to most active student in the school.

GIRLS SCOUTS:

The activities of Girl Scouts have continued as usual. Leaders are still being sought to further the activities of this group.

BOY SCOUTS:

Inspite of the loss of senior leaders the junior leaders have carried on the responsibilities wonderfully. It is interesting to add that our Center Boy Scouts' activities have helped toward winning of the highest area award known as the Acorn Award to the council in which our Center scout belong. The Boy Scouts have participated in the paper drive and the first drive have netted them $2\frac{1}{2}$ tons of scrap papers and books and magazines which was taken to McGehee and disposed to the paper buyer at \$4.00 a ton. The cooperation toward this drive have been more then satisfactorily.

U.S.O.

The USO have entertained the boys who have not as yet left Camp Shelby and many interesting activities have been presented to them. Many of the Reserves to the U.S. Army have been honored with the social events.

OTHER CLUBS:

Their activities have been carrying on as usual.

LIBRARY:

The library books has swelled as new addition of books have been received from the library in Jerome. The circulation of books has also increased.

COMMUNITY ENTERTAINMENT:

Many block farewell programs have been held with the aid of this department. Other then this, the department has been planning and preparing for this welcome activities for the new residents from Jerome.

TOYLAND:

The toyland have been ever popular place and the attendant are being kept very busy. Many of the Center people have donated comic books which keeps many of the young children well occupied.

SUMMER EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

(The Coordinated Work of Education and Community Activities Section)

June marked our first full month of activities. It also marked the transfer of 2500 evacuee residents from the Jerome to Rohwer in which the sections reporting here shared, both in the work and the inevitable confusion. Time and effort were put into receiving and socially integrating the new residents. This was partially accomplished by continuing activities begun at the end of May.

The free activities reached a considerable number of our people who have free time. The average daily attendance on four activities with regular meetings (arts-crafts, dramatics, story-telling and games, sewing) totalled 241: 177 elementary school children, 23 high school, and 41 adults.

Formal school activities accounted for 270: 100 in high school and 170 in elementary school. Six nurseries averaged 90 in daily attendance.

One hundred and fourteen young people are engaged in part-time work. Seventy-four others have gone out for seasonal ^{work} under sponsorship of the PTA. This work is under the office of the high school vocational adviser.

Adult Education reaches 526 adults not including the weekly news-cast. Of particular interest were two classes in cooking combined with teaching English and two classes in group singing.

Other activities conducted, reaching more or less all groups, were sports, movies, social affairs, paper collection.

SPORTS: The normal sports program of Community Activities was augmented by activities for the younger boys and girls. The following groups are now functioning in softball: a Pee Wee League, a Boy Scouts League, an Independent League for high school boys, a girls all-star team. At twilight, four softball fields are in use by adults and youth, providing participation for eighty players beside a large group of spectators. Badminton and croquet have been introduced. A marble tournament for younger boys was conducted. Three hardball games were played with the Jerome nine, one with Camp Shelby, one with Gould (a nearby town).

SOCIAL AFFAIRS: A committee trying to sponsor wholesome social affairs

at various places in the center had a weekly party or dance. Attendance averaged about 200 at each affair.

MOVIES: One complete show (see attached program) was shown at three places in the morning for the youth and two places for adults or children in the evening. Morning attendance averaged 250; evening 200. The shows have been of a high quality.

PAPER COLLECTION: An adult committee planned to aid the Boy Scouts in collecting waste paper weekly. To date the weekly collection has been ^{above} ~~about~~ two tons.

Regular Organizations have developed special features for the summer. The Protestants held a vacation school for elementary children for two weeks. They have sent representatives to two national and two state conferences. The YWCA and the YMCA have sent delegates to two national conferences: four to Hollister, Missouri, for a college student conference; six to Gulf Port Mississippi, for a Girl Reserves' conference. The YWCA is stimulating its high school groups to special activities.

PLANS FOR IMMEDIATE FUTURE

Much energy went into preparation for the festival and carnival to be held July 3rd to 8th (which accounts for the tardiness of this report). The Community Council set the date by formal proclamation. A program for the week as planned by a Festival Committee from the entire community is attached.

New activities are planned and improvement on present activities. Training of leaders in folk games and songs is already in motion. Classes in piano have been enrolled. Day camping for younger boys and girls three days each week. Collection of nature specimens will be undertaken by the science teacher. Another field day, much larger, is anticipated in August. Two shaded areas for playgrounds have been selected. A large central playground for the center will be built with equipment furnished by soldiers from Camp Shelby. More hardball games are being scheduled with neighboring cities. The Scouts are undertaking to recover from loss of leadership and hope to repeat their camping trip to the Mississippi River. The young adults who tend to crowd in on High School dances will be organized. The school orchestra will participate more freely in the community program.

A large undertaking is the establishment of ^a"Teen Canteen" for the teen age. Plans were discussed here with Mr. E. B. Kinder, representative of the Recreation Department of the Federal Security Agency. Two summer employees, graduate students at Yale, will help in these plans.

July 8, 1944

Nat R. Griswold
Coordinator
Summer Educational Activities

Mr. Smith

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1944

After the busy month of July activities, in this Section have slackened a little toward an even level. Many of the work has been caught up with and many new programs are in store for the coming month. The Summer Activities Program has come to an end and many new changes are expected to take place gradually as days progress in this Section.

ARTS & CRAFTS:

The Weaving Department located in two public service halls have returned to normalcy after changes in locality had been made. The weaving materials have been received from the W.R.A. through the Rohwer Community Enterprise which helped further in the enrollment of new people into weaving activities. The following materials have been woven last month: 25 yards of mercerized table cloth and scarfs, 5 rag rugs and 3 afghans. The woodcarving class has been continuing as usual.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT:

Softball season is on its last grind and it won't be long before the championship contests of the center in each division will be held. The Y.M.C.A., in order to further the physical side of the program of the center, has offered 4 pennants to be given out to the winner of each league. Aside from softball games, there have been activities in table tennis, weightlifting, bag punching, tennis, badminton, and croquet. After much delay in getting the children's playground ready, the ground has finally been plowed and it is hoped to have the playground in shape soon for the children to enjoy. Also, the playground area opposited block 8 has been cleared and set for picnic occasions to the center residents young and old.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATION:

The Clubs and Organizations have been busy in trying to further various activities of the young people.

Independent clubs - Activities have been the same as usual. Many are losing members through relocation or induction into the army.

Boy Scouts - Highlighted activity for Boy Scouts other than their regular meetings and the paper drive was a four day camping at the Arkansas City campsite near the Mississippi. Three scout troops of this center have been the guests of Troop No. 43 of Arkansas City which was led by Scoutmaster Holt. Three leaders and 44 scouts have spent the outing. Many inter-troop events were held which made the

4 days a very enjoyable one. In spite of the rain the morale of the boys was high. Every bit of their time there was well enjoyed - from the camp building to camp routine to the breaking of the camp. Swimming was well enjoyed by all. The river was ideal and there wasn't a moment of fear about a boy drowning. In spite of lack of leaders and circumstances, the program on the whole was a success. The following persons and groups have taken part to make this camping a success: Col. Snyder, Chief Clayton and Internal Security, Roy D. Johnston, Project Director, Mr. May and Mess Management, Motor Pool and Community Activities.

Girl Scouts - continued as usual.

Y.M.C.A. - has been the same.

Y.W.C.A. - has been the same.

U.S.O. - Meeting was held of those connected with this organization for revamping. The outcome has not been reported to us as yet.

Day Camping - Has come to a close with the Summer Activities. As the end approached request by many youngsters to attend poured into the office which was more than could be handled. Mrs. Avery from the Education Section has helped take over the supervision, which Mr. Cherryholmes vacated, and has done a very good job. Many of the Community Activities staff as well as others have volunteered to go out as leaders of the group for a day. 370 different children had the occasion to go for a day.

Party Planning - Also has come to a close.

Teen-Age Club - Due to the inconveniences of finding the proper building, the organized group of committees' enthusiasm has lacked. With the cooperation of Dr. Hunter, Dr. Griswold and Mr. Martin, process of obtaining a building is progressing gradually. At the present day nothing yet has been definitely decided. Following is the report of this club's meetings.

August 8--Attendance of 10 represented. Members include advisor Mr. Robert Blood, Committee Chairmen, secretary and Jr. Advisor.

Membership: 200 cards ready to be printed. Sale of cards detained until definite plans of the building.

Housing: Reports of the possible places:

PSH 35--High School P.E. Class

PSH 34--Boy Scout Room

W. Wing Aud.--Adult Ed.

U.S.O.--Not interested because of its "set-up".

Library and movie housing only possibilities remaining.

Rules and Regulations: Regulations all planned to be carried out.

Publicity: Report of the Outpost publicity of the Teen-Age Organization. Preparations for a name contest for the club.

Program: All planned for the opening night which is indefinitely decided to be held in the auditorium.

Mr. Blood reported due to his departure, Mr. Martin has agreed to replace him as advisor, also a Jr. advisor to aid the club.

Inter meetings were held in regards of housing. August 16--Misa Izumi, our secretary relocated, therefore, the club remains without a secretary. Nine members including advisors were present.

Housing: The enthusiasm of the entire committee has lacked, due to unseccessful results. Mr. Martin reports Dr. Hunter made actions to see the movie houses. The results would take some time.

Publicity: Name contest opened to all teen-age. Names to be judged by committee members; winner announced at the opening night.

Finance: No report. Mr. Martin suggested selling tickets for the "Womanless Wedding" on a 10% basis. Committee agreed to sell.

Rules and Regulations: Discussion of club hours for school days. Nothing definitely decided until after their committee meeting.

Membership: Prepared for sale of ticket; held until definite club room.

Replacement of secretary: At present no one has been appointed.

COMMUNITY ENTERTAINMENT:

20 One of the works of the Community Entertainment is the visual education films which have come to an end with the close of Summer Activities. Following are the films which were shown: "Once Upon A Time", "Venezuela Moves Ahead", "America Favorite", "South of The Border", "Brazil", "Molly Moo Cow", "Call of the Wilderness", "Letter From Bataan", "Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow", "Vanishing Heads", "The Bottom of The World", "Comin' Thru the Rye", "Sunshine Makers", "Meat For America", "Robinson Crusoe", "Paratroops", "Working Together", "Magic Mummy", "News Thrills, 1943", and "Young Sheroes".

Many other interesting films from the Community Activities Section are in store. An evening of variety show was offered by the Entertainment Section. This coming month a Nisei Talent Show and Classical Dance Program is in store and will be presented to the residents.

LIBRARY:

For this month has been the same.

TOYLAND:

It is planned to have more additions of Toylands in the center soon and probably toy libraries in each block if possible. Two boxes of toys containing 23 pieces worth \$82 has been donated to the center thru the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Monthly Report of August-31, 1944

ARTS AND CRAFTS

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Total Instr.</u>	<u>Total Attend.</u>
52	Weaving	52	800
26	Woodcarving	26	600
<u>78</u>		<u>78</u>	<u>1400</u>

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ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Participant -</u>	<u>Spectators</u>
102	Softball	2536	34720
99	Blk. Softball	2096	5420
5	Women's Softball	109	2200
61	Women's Block Softball	1284	4240
426	Table Tennis	2360	2625
145	Weight Lifting	580	680
146	Punching Bag	510	770
43	Boxing	165	275
91	Horseshoe	304	435
75	Badminton	296	417
98	Chinning Bar	371	500
3	Golf	30	55
3	Judo	125	145
1	Hardball	20	1200
299	Tennis	584	700
17	Croquet	80	125
<u>1536</u>		<u>11297</u>	<u>55191</u>

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BOY SCOUTS

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
1	Paper Drive Meeting	42
2	Scout Leaders Meeting	14
1	Paper Drive	18
1	Leaders Round Table	16
6	Troop Meetings	90
5	Patrol Meetings	30
1	Day Hike	10
1	Camping	50
<u>18</u>		<u>270</u>

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Total Brought Forward 68236

INDEPENDENT CLUB

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total No. Present</u>
4	Private "Farewell" social	450
1	Summer Breeze Breakup	35
4	Center-wide Inductees Dance	700
12	Club Business Meeting	110
6	Club Cabinet Meeting	40
4	Private Get-togethers	75
<u>31</u>		<u>1410</u>

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES

1	Jr. Hi Party Planning Social	110
1	Jr. Hi Weiner Bake	55
1	Jr. Hi Dist. I Girls Party	56
1	Jr. Hi Dist. II Game Party	68
1	Sr. Hi Dist. I Dance	147
1	Sr. Hi Dist. II Dance	124
15	Day Camping Outings	501
<u>21</u>		<u>1059</u>

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GIRL SCOUTS

1	Outdoor Cooking Class	12
5	Regular Meetings	50
3	Day Camps Troop 2,6, Brownie	38
1	Anniversary Social Troop 2	7
4	Troop Meetings	40
<u>14</u>		<u>147</u>

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Y.W.C.A.

2	Y.W.C.A. Music Appreciation	60
12	G.R. Business Meeting	130
4	Special Cabinet Meeting	45
6	Y.W.C.A. Social Affair	75
<u>24</u>		<u>310</u>

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U.S.O.

1	Inductees Farewell	100
1	Shelby Trip	68
4	Board Meeting	35
2	Hostess Meeting	30
<u>8</u>		<u>233</u>

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Total Brought Forward 71395

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

BUDDHIST

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Minister</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
1	Wedding	1	250
21	Memorial Service	3	2840
7	Wake Service	9	1480
4	Sunday School	80	2600
4	Y.B.A. Service	10	2050
4	Adult Service	8	2850
2	Y.B.A. Cabinet Meet.	3	250
1	Meeting (YP)	1	200
3	Funeral	4	1200
3	U.S.O. Meeting	3	4
2	Special bon service	8	1400
2	Bon Odori (dance)	40	4000
3	Bon Odori practice	60	2400
1	Teen Age Canteen	1	1
1	Day Camping	1	1
<u>59</u>		<u>232</u>	<u>21526</u>

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CATHOLIC

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
4	Sunday School	250
2	Choir Practice	25
12	Night Prayer	40
4	Children Instr.	60
12	Daily Mass	45
<u>34</u>		<u>420</u>

420

PROTESTANT

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
5	Sunday School	2500
5	Worship Service	1500
4	Sunday Eve. Meeting	80
4	Evang. & Bible Study	275
5	YPCF	230
4	Women's Meet. & Brotherhood	100
5	Prayer Meeting	250
5	Daily Devotion	450
1	Business Meeting	50
<u>38</u>		<u>5435</u>

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COMMUNITY ENTER.

Total Brought Forward 99008

<u>Total No. Events</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
23	Indoor Outdoor Movie	39	10900
24	Biwa Class	1	278
24	Shogi Class	1	791
24	Japanese Odori	1	434
9	Shigin Class	1	97
1	Issei Program	17	1500
1	Welcome Program	15	250
<u>106</u>		<u>75</u>	<u>11250</u>

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TOYLAND

Attendance	2252
No. Games Loaned Out	251
No. Games Used at Toyland	1924
Mostly Attended by what age group	2-18
How Many Registered	12

Total Number of individual participation and spectator
attendance as for Community Activities program 115585

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P.A. System Requests

Adult

<u>Event</u>	<u>Total Held</u>
Party	1

Youth

Baton Practice	4
Social	7
Square Dance	1
Dance Class	3
Dress Rehearsal (Ad personnel)	1

Community

Movie	8
Church Service	2
Music Appreciation	4
Play	1
Athletic game	1

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Supplies Issued

Articles	4720.1	4720.3	4720.6	4720.7	4720.8	Total
1. Cup, paper box					1	1
2. Envelopes, WRA franked each	30					30
3. Eraser, eberhard faber each					1	1
4. Folder, manila each	16	30				46
5. Fastner, metal each			6			6
6. Pad, writing each		2	1			3
7. Paper, bond typing ream					1/4	1/4
8. Paper, manifold ream					1/4	1/4
9. Paper, WRA stationery ream	1/4					1/4
10. Pencil, lead each	2	1			4	7
11. Tablet, yellow, lined each	3		1	1	1	6
12. Pen points each	3		1		6	10
13. Stencil, quarre		1	1			1

4720.1 Athletic Dept.
 4720.3 Clubs & Org.
 4720.6 Community Entertainment
 4720.7 Sign & Posters
 4720.8 Toy Loan

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Mimeograph Requests

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Title of Form</u>	<u>No. Wanted</u>
August	1	Registration for Library	500
	7	Church Bulletin	5 reams
	8	Club Memorandum	250
	9	Club Memorandum	200
	10	Invitations	150
	10	Play tickets	45
	11	Program	400
	14	Bulletin sheets	30
	14	Program	500
	16	Notice	50
	17	Club Memorandum	200
	19	Club Memorandum	250
	21	Club Memorandum	60
	22	Club Memorandum	250
	22	Club Memorandum	250
	24	Thank you letters	60
	28	Program	100
	28	Tickets	1500
	29	Graph Sheets	50

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Dance Permits Issued

<u>Date held</u>	<u>Sponsored by</u>
August 9	Summer Activities (Sr. High students)
August 11	Summer Activities (Jr. High students)
August 14	Former Jerome block 41
August 15	Summer Activities (Jr. High students)
August 16	Private party
August 18	Lucky Strikers
August 22	Summer Activities (Jr. High students)
August 22	Block 20 young people
August 26	The Broncs
August 29	Jokers and Trotters

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Supplies Received

Expendables

No.	Item	Unit Amt.	Quantity	Tot. Amt.
1.	Paper, bond typing 8x10 $\frac{1}{2}$.36	4 ream	1.44
2.	Paper, manifold white 8x10 $\frac{1}{2}$.36	2 M	.72
3.	Paper, carbon 200 sht/bx	.30	4 box	1.20
4.	Pencil, lead # 3	.02	48 each	.96
5.	Pen point	.25	2 box	.50
6.	Paper, WRA stationery, legal size	.27	1 M	.27
7.	Ink, fountain pen, blue	.05	1 bot.	.05
8.	Scotch tape 3/4" wide	.48	4 roll	1.92
9.	WRA Form 61 Property Transfer slip	.25		