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# MINIDOKA INFORMATION DIGEST

(For Staff Use Only)

July 1, 1944

No. 1

## INFORMATION DIGEST STARTS

This is the first issue of the Minidoka Staff Digest, which is intended to be a medium of news exchange among the appointed staff of this project and for the communication of official information, other than confidential, from the Project Director to members of the staff. It is being published twice a month by the Reports Office, to which contributions should be sent.

## NEW ASSISTANT PROJECT DIRECTOR ARRIVES

J. H. (Jack) Nichols, former assistant finance officer in the Washington office, arrived Sunday, July 2, to become acting assistant project director in charge of administrative management. Mr. Nichols takes over the duties of Earl D. Brooks, WRA personnel officer, who has been filling the job since the resignation of Dean Miller early in June. Mr. Brooks will return to Washington about July 15.

Mr. Nichols visited the project with Mrs. Nichols earlier in the week for an afternoon, when they went on to Caldwell to see their two children. Mrs. Nichols and the children will join Mr. Nichols here as soon as staff quarters are available. All are natives of Idaho.

## BEESON ACTING PROJECT DIRECTOR

Joseph G. Beeson, relocation program officer, was named acting project director during the absence of Project Director Stafford

for a few days after July 1. Mr. Beeson, in addition to his regular duties, also is acting assistant project director in charge of community management vice Richard A. Pomeroy, who left Thursday to assume his new duties with the immigration service in Seattle.

## STAFF PERSONNEL CHANGES SINCE MAY 1

So many changes in staff personnel have occurred in the last two months that we have gone back to May 1 to acquaint all staff members with the names and positions of new arrivals and departures.

Elma R. Fuhrman, of Caldwell, has been an elementary school teacher, since June 12.

Mrs. A. Doris Gallitero, of Twin Falls, became a fiscal accountant, on May 16.

William C. Hart, of Jerome, was added as a gate clerk on June 9.

Dale W. Kingsbury, of Twin Falls, became a foreman mechanic on May 1.

Mrs. Phyllis Helen Newell, of Venatche, Washn., became office manager in the administrative division, on June 9, succeeding Gertrude Clever, resigned.

James W. Niven, of Twin Falls, is the name of a new procurement clerk since May 22.

Gordon C. O'Bryan, of Boise, became assistant fiscal accountant on May 10.

Clyde E. (Jack) Plank, of Corpus Christi, Texas, became senior engineer on May 4.

William A. Roden, of Topaz, Utah, was made property and supply officer (assistant procurement officer) on May 1.



Edwin E. Sheets, of Boise, is a new assistant cost accountant since May 8.

Mrs. William A. Roden, of Topaz, Utah, has been telephone supervisor since May 18.

Vern F. Sheets, of Boise, was made property clerk on May 22.

Ethel G. Smith, of Boise, was made an elementary school teacher on May 27.

Joseph E. Staker, of Twin Falls, has been a gate clerk since June 8.

Employees who have separated from the project service since May 1 follow:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Date Separated:</u>	<u>Destination:</u>
Edna Earle Kirton	June 30, 1944	Joining the WAC
Frances K. Berman (Mrs)	June 15, 1944	
Norman A. Braden	June 5, 1944	Moscow, Idaho
Gwendolyn V. Cline	July 7, 1944	
Ethel M. Fitzsimons	June 10, 1944	Iowa State College
Eunice T. Glenn	June 19, 1944	Columbus, Ga.
Glenn R. Green	May 6, 1944	Washington, D. C.
Frances E. Haglund	July 11, 1944	Cannon Falls, Minn.
Mrs. Ellen B. Herndon	July 3, 1944	California
Tordis M. Heyerdahl	June 22, 1944	Roseau, Minnesota
William E. Hughes	June 6, 1944	Denver, Colorado
William I. Johnson	May 1, 1944	Twin Falls, Idaho
Mrs. Elsa Keener	May 12, 1944	Los Angeles, Calif.
Hamilton J. Keener	June 1, 1944	Los Angeles, Calif.
Jay G. LaJeunesse	May 2, 1944	Eden, Idaho
Clarence E. McGuire	May 8, 1944	Twin Falls, Idaho
Dean W. Miller	June 7, 1944	Caldwell, Idaho
W. Homer Moore	May 29, 1944	Ontario, Oregon
Alma M. Plemmons	July 11, 1944	DeLeon, Texas
Marjorie B. Pollock	July 7, 1944	
William D. Powers	July 1, 1944	
Thelma I. Schoonover	May 3, 1944	Columbus, Ohio
Bertha Sterenson	May 8, 1944	Chicago, Illinois
Charlotte Stull	June 24, 1944	Valley City, N. Dakota
Marhorie A. Swallow (Mrs)	June 28, 1944	Twin Falls, Idaho

#### SQUARE DANCES NEW RAGE

Under the tutelage of Charles Caward, assistant superintendent of motor maintenance, old-fashioned square dances have become the newest recreational rage among the appointed staff. Dances usually are held in the staff dining hall. Other recreational features will be devised by Morris Roth, community activities supervisor. In the meantime, considerable attention is being devoted to the staff baseball team, led by Earl Ingham, of the relocation office. Hall Church is captain. The team spent Sunday, July 1, removing several tons of cinders, from the south end of the project, where a baseball field will be laid out, to the hog farm.

#### DAVIDSON BACK AFTER CALIFORNIA TRIP

Robert S. Davidson, assistant project director in charge of operations, returned to the project Saturday, after a brief absence in California, where he took his son to a clinic. During his absence, William E. Rawlings, chief of agriculture, was acting assistant project director in his stead.

#### STAFFORD FLIES TO TULE

Project Director Harry L. Stafford flew to the Tule Lake segregation center Saturday, July 1. He was to return early in the week of July 3. Mr. Stafford recently brought his plane back to Twin Falls from Boise, where it has been in storage for several months. About a week after he regained possession of it, the hangar in which it had been stored in Boise, was



destroyed by fire with all its contents, following explosion of an army bomber which fell on it, killing eight men.

#### BULLETIN BOARD SERVICE

The bulletin boards in the dining halls and other places about the center have been placed in charge of the Reports Office. Two competent Issei have been added to the Reports staff to place matter on the boards, remove "dead" matter and keep them current in all respects. Three days will be the maximum time, except under unusual circumstances, that matter will be allowed to remain on a single bulletin board. Posters intended for display should be routed through the Reports Office and should be kept to a maximum size of 8 x 10 inches. Additional sites for bulletin boards will be added from time to time as the need arises. In addition to dining hall boards, glass enclosed cases for photos will be placed outside all community stores, by request of the Washington office.

#### HOSPITAL HANDICAPPED BY DOCTOR SHORTAGE

Recent relocation of three evacuee physicians and other key evacuee personnel has thrown the hospital into an emergency situation through the shortage thus caused. Addition of others to take their places is expected in the next few days, but they have not yet arrived.

#### MRS. EVANS RESIGNS

Mrs. Maxalyn Evans, for two years chief nurse at the hospital has tendered her resignation. The exact date of her departure has not been announced, during to the emergency situation existing there. Her successor is expected to arrive shortly from the Gila River center, but this project has not yet been advised of her name.

#### HUNT MEN FIGHT BRUSH FIRE

When a severe brush fire was sweeping the prairies around Shoshone, District Grazier Jack Keith got in touch with this project and asked for help in fighting the fire which threatened Shoshone Saturday afternoon. Immediately, Fire Prevention Officer Gordon Nimmo dispatched 45 off-duty firemen to the scene. Said Mr. Keith, according to the Twin Falls Times News:

"We have received very fine cooperation from the Hunt relocation center and we've never called on the Japanese-American labor there without getting good response. There's a lot of talk about the loyalty of these men, but when they turn out like this, there's no doubt about it".



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### WAR BOND SALE NEAR QUOTA

War Bond sales in the Fifth War Bond Drive was near the quota set for this center on July 12. According to the fiscal office, the quota is \$16,507.16, including payroll deductions already on the list or 40% of the April, 1944 Caucasian payroll. On that date, sales totaled \$15,986.40, leaving a balance of \$520.76 yet to be raised. All sales included in the total figure were to the Caucasian staff. No person in the Fifth loan drive had been solicited, all purchases so far having been voluntary.

Upward of \$3,500 in cash sales were made at the Fourth of July War Bond Rally held by the Caucasian staff at the White Elephant sale on the evening of Independence Day, when various items were auctioned in terms of War Bonds by Elmer Smith, community analyst, and Miss Helen Ely Amerman, vocational advisor, while handcuffed together, as a "penalty" imposed at a mock trial, one of the "stunts" of the evening.

### RAWLINGS ACTING OPERATIONS CHIEF

William E. Rawlings, chief of agriculture, has been designated acting Assistant project director by Project Director Stafford, until further notice to replace former Assistant Project Director R. S. Davidson, who has been detailed to the Washington office.

### NEWELL HEADS STATISTICS OFFICE

Dallas S. Newell, former junior counselor in the welfare section, has been detailed as project statistician. The statistics office was recently "overhauled" by Miss Evelyn Rose of the Washington statistics office. Until Mr. Newell's assignment, Joe G. Beeson, acting assistant project director, has been in charge.

### WASHINGTON AGRICULTURE HEAD VISITOR HERE

C. H. Reed, head of the agriculture section, operations division, in the Washington office, is a visitor at the project. He is going over the farm situation with William E. Rawlings, chief of agriculture, and other farm officials.

### OFFICIAL VISITORS TO BE REGISTERED

Division and section heads have been notified by L. E. Folsom, personnel officer, to apprise the telephone operator of the name of each official visitor to the project. This is to facilitate delivery of telegrams and handling of long distance telephone calls while visitors are on the project.

### RATION ACTIVITIES TRANSFERRED

Rations activities have been transferred from the Community Activities Division, to the Administrative Division, according to a notice to all A. P. issued by Acting Project Director Joseph G. Beeson.

### CUTKOSKY APPROVES "DIGEST"

Oscar F. Cutkosky, chief of the vocational training program, is the first of the A. P. staff to approve the Minidoka Information Digest. Said he in a memorandum: "This is something we have needed for a long time."



## PERSONNEL CHANGES

### New Faces

Miss Irene C. Linder, of Hartley, Iowa, has been added to the staff, as a secondary school teacher.

Miss R. Louise Durand, of Sumner, Wash., is the new summer educational activities assistant.

J. Alonzo Spriggs, of Pocatello, has been appointed elementary school principal.

James L. Sparks, of the Gila project at Rivers, Ariz., has been named as an internal security officer.

Mrs. James L. Sparks, also of Gila, has been appointed as an elementary school teacher.

John Molenkamp, of Twin Falls, has been added as property officer.

Miss E. Gretchen Wahl, of Duluth, Minn., has been appointed as an elementary school teacher.

Carl E. George, of Eden, has been made foreman pump operator.

Harold C. Maus, of the Jerome, Ark., project, now closed, has been appointed as a vocational teacher.

W. Hughes O'Bannon, also of the Jerome project, comes to Minidoka as an assistant storekeeper.

Lewis E. Rice, of the Jerome project, comes to Minidoka as farm superintendent, to assist Bill Rawlings.

Mrs. Lavon Hatch, of Twin Falls, was named to succeed Miss Irma Jean Sturtevant in mail and files.

### Familiar Faces Gone

Miss Frances E. Haglund, secondary school teacher, has resigned. She goes to Cannon Falls, Minn.

Mrs. Maxalyn V. Evans, chief nurse at the hospital, left Tuesday for Malad, Idaho, following her recent resignation.

Vern E. Sheets property clerk, has transferred to the Bureau of Reclamation, at Boise.

Miss Thelma I. Schoonover, relocation interviewer, has returned to Columbus, Ohio.

Miss Bertha Sterenson, relocation interviewer, has returned to Chicago.

William S. Bailey, senior mechanic, returned to Twin Falls, following his separation from the service.

Miss Betty Lou Peavey, secondary school teacher, resigned to go to Twin Falls.

Mrs. Marjorie B. Pollock, secondary school teacher, has moved to Twin Falls, following her resignation.

### MISS SATTERFIELD VISITOR HERE

Miss Veda Satterfield, former physical education instructor at the project, was a visitor to Minidoka during the week. She is now a relocation officer in Detroit.



#### PROPERTY OFFICER'S SON WINS MEDAL

Property Officer J. Alexander Ford has been displaying with more pride than if he had won it himself, a Soldier's Medal awarded to his soldier son, Corporal Frank B. Ford. Corporal Ford, according to the citation by his commanding officer at Camp Campbell, Ky., displayed considerable heroism outside the scope of his duty in assisting in the rescue of another soldier from drowning in a swimming contest. Medal and ribbon now occupy the honor position on Pa Ford's mantel piece, as well as in his heart.

#### NEW CHIEF NURSE ARRIVES

Miss Josephine Rappaport has arrived to become chief nurse at the hospital, succeeding Mrs. Hazelyn W. Evans, resigned. Miss Rappaport comes from the Gila River project at Rivers, Ariz. She took over her new duties Sunday, July 9.

#### GOOD DEED BY NICHOLS STIRS COMMENT

When former Assistant Project Director R. S. Davidson vacated his commodious apartment at 68-C, the natural inheritor of these quarters was Jack Nichols, acting assistant project director in charge of administrative management. After looking over the apartment and planning occupancy with his wife and two children, he thought of Jay W. Brazie, audit clerk, with his wife and six children occupying 66-A, a much smaller apartment. Mr. Nichols couldn't take it, so he waived his right and asked the Brazies to swap with him. The Nichols family probably will occupy 66-A next week. The Brazies moved July 12. Now Mrs. Brazie says she will remain on the project.

#### LIEUT. MULLINS VISITS MINIDOKA

Lieut. R. W. Mullins, USNR, supply corps, who has been stationed in the Aleutian Islands, for several months is visiting his wife and small son at the center for a few days. He shortly is being transferred to Seattle, but the family will remain at Minidoka for the present, where Mrs. Mullins is connected with the schools. After a few days rest, Mr. Mullins says he intends to look after his fishing interests in and about Idaho.

#### THORSONS TO TAKE VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Thorson and young daughter are leaving this week for their annual vacation, which will consist of a tour of the fishing spots of Idaho. Mr. Thorson says they will have to stop here and there to catch up on time so they will have sufficient gas to get back on.

#### FLEISCHMAN GIVES GAVEL TO MISS AMERMAN

The gavel with which "judicial" decisions were hammered home in the recent "persecution" of Miss Helen Ely Amerman in a kangaroo trial for selling chances on a War Bond, was presented to her the evening of July 11 by Charlie Fleischman, who made it, for her prize sportsmanship in remaining handcuffed without a whimper to Elmer Smith all evening. She immediately had it autographed by all connected with the trial---including Smith.

#### YOUNG BEESON RETURNS TO DUTY

Philip A. Beeson, apprentice seaman, USNR, in the V-12 training program, returned to his duty at Pocatello, the night of July 5. Young Beeson is one of the sons of Joseph G. Beeson, acting assistant project director in charge of community management.



#### "MAC" IS BACK

V. V. (Mac) Laughlin, assistant relocation program officer, returned July 6 from a month's detail to the Boston, Mass., relocation area. While away, he was headquartered in Boston, but visited all parts of New England. He reports an abundance of relocation opportunities in that region and that community attitudes toward Japanese-Americans are especially good.

#### YOUNG STAFFORD NOW A MARINE

Ben Stafford, youngest son of Project Director Harry L. Stafford, who recently decided he wanted to go where training is toughest and fighting is stiffest and consequently enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, is now undergoing the former at San Diego, Calif., west coast training station for the Marines. In a letter accompanying shipment home of his "cits", he wrote no one has exaggerated statements that Marine training is plenty tough and getting tougher.

#### HAMPTON NEW OPERATIONS ANALYST

Robert (Bob) Hampton, former carpenter foreman, has become operations analyst. During the absence of Lou Thorson, office engineer, he will "pinch hit" for Thorson and can be found at Thorson's desk and telephone, 351.

#### MANN FAMILY TO TAKE VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mann and young sons will leave Saturday, July 15, for Davenport, Wash., for the annual vacation. Mr. Mann, supply officer, will return to Minidoka in a few days, but Mrs. Mann and the boys will remain at Davenport for the summer.

#### WHO THEY ARE AND WHERE THEY LIVE

So many new persons and families have moved into project quarters in the past few weeks and others have shifted locations that few know where their friends live. On the opposite page is a list of dormitory rooms and of apartments, furnished by Fred W. Minnesang, hard-boiled A. P. Landlord, on Thursday, July 13. Tack it up on the kitchen door and refer to it when you go a-visiting. Corrections will be published from time to time.

#### WESTON CALLS VETERANS TO MEET

A meeting of all veterans of World War I and World War II with honorable discharges has been called for Monday night July 7, at 8:30 pm, in the Administrative Recreation Hall to organize a Post at Large of the American Legion. Call for the meeting was issued by Bert Weston. A similar post, not affiliated with any State Legion organization, but only with national, has recently been formed at Tule Lake. Weston will preside at the Monday night meeting.



# DORMITORIES

## DORM 45

### Room

A	Vacant
B	William E. Rawlings
C	Arthur B. Ficke
D	Vacant
E	Robert W. Coombs
F	Willard G. Jaeger
I	Charles E. Fleischman
J	Vacant
K	Gordon M. Nimmo
L	Angus A. Acree

## DORM 46

A	Vacant
B	Vernie V. Howell
C	George W. Anderson
D	Vacant

## DORM 49

A	Minnie C. Schmidt
B	Evelyn M. Anderson
C	Irene C. Linder
D	Ella Louise Koch
E	Helen E. Amerman
F	Vacant
H	Vacant
I	Elma Tharp
J	Ruby Smith
K	Rakel L. Erickson

## DORM 50

### Room

A	Margaret W. Hester
B	Vacant
C	Jessie F. Koontz
D	Vacant
E	Alyndie Morton
F	Eleanor R. Long
H	Irma S. Hissel
I	Jessie M. McNary
J	M. Ecco Hunt
K	Alice E. Gwinn

## DORM 51

A	Marguerite E. Askew
B	Vacant
C	Vacant
E	Vacant
F	Marie E. Johnson
G	R. Louise Durand
H	Maribelle Hines
I	Ethel G. Smith
J	A. Lidie Fite
K	Yasuko Koyama
L	Ruth V. Lambert
M	Mary E. Killierlain
N	Elma A. Fuhrmann
O	Edna Baker
P	Harriett T. Pomeroy
Q	Eleanor Vold

# APARTMENTS

## BUILDING 60

A	William A. & Dorothy I. Roden
B	Vacant
C	Robert H. Church
D	Dan L. Williams

## BUILDING 61

A	Harold C. Maas
B	C. E. (Jack) Plank
C	Joseph E. Staker
D	William Maxey, Jr.

## BUILDING 62

A	Frank S. Barrett
B	J. Mevin Wiley
C	Howell T. Pugh
D	Oscar F. Cutkosky

## BUILDING 63

A	Charles W. Caward
B	Leroy R. Haley
C	Max M. Barber
D	Earl B. Ingham

## BUILDING 64

A	Beulah L. Atkinson
B	Cecil A. Wilder
C	James L. & Mary Ver Sparks
D	W. Howard Mann

## BUILDING 65

A	Edwin E. Sheets
B	Eleanor C. Mullins
C	Joseph J. Fogarty
D	Jerome T. Light

## BUILDING 66

A	J. H. (Jack) Nichols
B	Earl Murray
C	Fred W. Minnesang, Jr.
D	Kenneth C. Merrill

## BUILDING 68

A	Hinkle W. Cox
B	Dorothy F. Cram
	Esther E. Greiner
C	Jay V. Brazie

## BUILDING 69

A	Joseph G. Beeson
B	Gordon C. O'Bryan
C	Harry L. Stafford

## BUILDING 70

A	Marion A. Byrd
	Ramona C. Rinderknecht
B	Frank Beattie
C	Dallas S. & Helen Newell
D	Louis A. Thorson

(See other side for Hospital Directory)



# HOSPITAL

## Doctor's Quarters

1. Sanitarian Office
2. William D. Barraclough
3. Dr. Francis P. Richards
8. Elmer R. Smith
10. Dr. G. T. Akamatsu
11. Dr. Kyo A. Koike
12. Vacant
13. Dr. Adrian J. DeHaan
14. Vacant
15. Dr. Isami Sekiyama
16. Vacant
17. Vacant
18. Vacant

## Nurse's Quarters

2. Marie E. Talbott
7. Vacant
8. Teru Uno
9. Laura A. Scheib
10. Josephine Rappaport
14. Mary E. Schwager
15. Vacant
16. Vacant
17. Vacant
18. Gladys Kaiser
20. Vacant
21. Vacant
22. Lillian Talbott
23. Katherine Travis

## RESIDENTS CALLED TO MEET JULY 26

A mass meeting of all Caucasian residents of the project has been called by L. W. Folsom, Personnel Officer, to meet at the Administrative Dining Hall at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday evening July 26 to effect an organization for the recreation and welfare of the appointed staff and families.



Comm. Rep.

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## NEW ASSISTANT PROJECT DIRECTOR COMING

Edward Huberman will arrive at Minidoka during the first week in August to become assistant project director in charge of community management, succeeding Richard A. Pomeroy, who resigned July 1. Since the departure of Mr. Pomeroy, the post has been ably filled by Joe Beeson, relocation program officer, in addition to his regular duties. Nothing has been received here regarding Mr. Huberman's antecedents, although he comes highly recommended by the Washington Community Management division.

## PROJECT ATTORNEY BARRETT BRINGS FAMILY HERE

Mrs. Frank S. Barrett, wife of Project Attorney Barrett, and their attractive daughter, Barbara, arrived July 13 from Palo Alto, California, to make their home with Mr. Barrett at 62-A. Their other daughter, Elaine, will join the family as soon as she graduates from Stanford at the close of the summer course. In the meantime, Miss Barbara Barrett is working with Community Activities in charge of girls' affairs until the fall term at Stanford opens, where she will return as a sophomore.

## MISS FITE TO TAKE EXTENDED LEAVE

Miss A. Lidie Fite, head counselor of the project, who recently suffered a dislocation of the right shoulder, is taking extended leave to return to her home in Philadelphia, for medical and surgical treatment. An X-Ray examination locally revealed a much more serious dislocation than was suspected at first and one which possibly require surgical treatment. She desired to place herself under the care of her family physician. She could give no estimate of the time that may be required for recovery. For the present, her duties will be performed by Nevin Wiley.

## STAFF PERSONNEL CHANGES

### New Faces

Mrs. Dortha I. Shorthouse, of Warner Robins, Georgia, has become a secondary school teacher at Minidoka.

Mrs. Virginia T. Snodgrass, of Jerome, Idaho, has been added to the staff as personnel clerk.

Earl C. Murray has transferred from Topaz to become an auditor at Minidoka.

Mrs. Verna L. Murray, his wife, has transferred to Minidoka as a cost accounting clerk.

Miss Beverly G. Andrews, of Ogden, has become acting property clerk.

Miss Gladys G. Kaiser, of Twin Falls, has come to the hospital as a laboratory technician.

Miss Ruth H. Miller, of Jerome project, has arrived here to be dietician at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Lloyd, of Pullman, Washington, has arrived to become school teachers here. More recently they have been serving in the Aleutians.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Campbell and daughter, Ruth Ann have arrived at Minidoka from Granada. Campbell has recently become chief fire protection officer on the project.



### Familiar Faces Gone

Fewer terminations than usual for the past few weeks have been recorded at the Personnel Office. Miss Erma A. Pattee teacher in the schools has taken her leave of Minidoka. Miss Rakel Erickson will leave August 1 and will teach the coming season, it is understood, at Fargo, N. D.

### MRS ALEXANDER JOINS MINIDOKA STAFF

Mrs. Jessamine Alexander, formerly assistant clerk of the Selective Service Board of Jerome, has joined the staff at Minidoka as assistant relocation advisor. Mrs. Alexander is no stranger to the Minidoka project, having been intimately associated with it in the last several months, since selective service was restored to evacuees. Her many courtesies to staff and evacuees in handling the complex problems of the draft convinced officials here she would be a valuable acquisition. She is handling details of the draft for the project.

### CHARLES FLEISCHMAN LEAVING FOR BOISE

Charles Fleischman, head teacher and one of the pioneers of "45" leaves the project August 1, to follow out plans of his own. He will go direct from here to his home in Boise for a brief vacation before entering other activities.

### APPOINTIVE STAFF STARTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

Wednesday night, July 26, saw the start of a democratic organization of appointive staff personnel living on the project, to plan for the welfare and recreation of this isolated group. The meeting was called by Bill Folsom, Personnel Officer, in accordance with an administrative instruction from the Washington office. A representative group attended the meeting.

Plan No. 1, which follows the representative plan of the Topaz project, and was circulated among the Caucasian residents with the call for the meeting, was adopted over Plan No. 2, also circulated with the meeting call, by a ballot vote of 46 to 11. The winning plan calls for one representative on the general council from each of 10 units as follows: Unit 1, Hospital; Unit 2, Dormitory 45; Unit 3, Dormitory 49; Unit 4, Dormitory 50; Unit 5, Dormitory 51; Unit 6, Buildings 60 and 61; Unit 7, Buildings 66 and 68; Unit 10, Buildings 69 and 70.

Mr. Folsom Thursday appointed temporary chairmen for each unit to call an election by the residents of each unit by Wednesday, August 2 to select the permanent representative to the council. Organization meeting of the council will be held in the Administrative dining hall on the evening of that date. Following election of the representative, the appointed temporary chairman is asked to notify Mr. Folsom of the result of the election. The elected representatives will form the council and elect their own officers.

The temporary chairmen appointed Thursday by Mr. Folsom to call elections in their respective units are as follows:

Unit No. 1,	Hospital---	Miss Laura H. Scheib
Unit No. 2,	Dormitory 45---	Arthur B. Ficke
Unit No. 3,	Dormitory 49---	Miss Helen Amerman
Unit No. 4,	Dormitory 50---	Miss Irma Nispel
Unit No. 5,	Dormitory 51---	Miss Eleanor Vold
Unit No. 6,	Buildings 61 and 62---	Bill Roden
Unit No. 7,	Buildings 62 and 63---	Charles Caward
Unit No. 8,	Buildings 64 and 65---	Mrs. Cecil Wilder
Unit No. 9,	Buildings 66 and 68---	Ken Merrill
Unit No. 10,	Buildings 69 and 70---	Lou Thorson

An organization chosen in September 1943 offered to turn over \$28 still in its treasury to the new organization. The council to be elected will devise ways and means of raising further funds for financing the organization.

Mr. Folsom calls special attention to the date of the next meeting, Wednesday, August 2, 8:00 p.m. and that this will be a meeting of elected representatives only.



#### SUGGESTION BOXES OPEN TO A.P.

Announcement is made by Dan T. Williams, assistant personnel officer, of the institution of "suggestion boxes" about the project for the reception of suggestions by appointive personnel, for the improvement of project affairs.

There will be five boxes, located at strategic points about the project. These locations are not necessarily fixed "for good and aye", according to Mr. Williams but may be changed to other points as experience may dictate as being more convenient to the staff. Initial locations will be as follows:

1. Administration Building
2. Main Gate
3. Hospital
4. Warehouse Area
5. Block 22

Project Director Stafford, in approving the suggestion box idea, named an executive committee to have charge of the boxes and to canvass the suggestions received therein. This committee is composed of Bert Weston, chairman; Dan Williams, secretary; Acting Assistant Project Directors Bill Rawlings, Joe Beeson and Jack Nichols.

Suggestion blanks will be found in a slot in the suggestion box and all suggestions must be signed by the staff member making the suggestion. The executive committee will meet periodically to consider the suggestions.

#### FICKE TO BE "DEAN" OF NEW A. P. COUNCIL

Come what may, A. B. (Art) Ficke will be the "dean" of the A. P. Council for welfare and recreation, now a-forming under the stern but benign, overlordship of Bill Folsom, personnel officer. Hardly had Bill made appointments Thursday of temporary chairmen to hold the unit elections to the council when Ficke called the election in Dormitory 45 and was himself elected to the post of permanent representate. However, he had not accomplished this without a spirited political battle wherein Gordon K. (Chief) Nimmo, who aspired to the position and put up a stiff fight toward the last. However, Ficke pulled a "coup" by pushing the election to an early vote, which prevented Nimmo from voting for himself more than twice. Ficke worked faster. The final vote was 5 to 2 in favor of Ficke.

#### LYNN VISITS HERE FROM WASHINGTON REPORTS OFFICE

Charles R. Lynn, former reports officer of the Jerome Center, but now a member of the project liaison unit of the Reports Division in Washington was a visitor to Minidoka for a few days, arriving on the project Thursday afternoon from Heart Mountain. He plans to return to Washington after August 1.

#### DORMITORY 46 BEING USED FOR APARTMENT OVERFLOW

With every apartment "across the tracks" occupied, Fire Chief Campbell, wife and family, shortly will occupy quarters in Dormitory 46 until an apartment comes available. Until furniture can be provided Chief Campbell is at Dormitory 45, while Mrs. Campbell and Miss Ruth Ann Campbell, their daughter, are staying in nurses quarters at the hospital.

#### NOTED CHURCH EDITOR TO VISIT HERE AUGUST 1.

Dr. William B. Lippard, editor of "Missions", an international Baptist Mission Magazine, will visit the Minidoka Project during August. He has notified the reports Office that he will arrive at Shoshone at 8:50 a.m. on August 11. He is coming to this project at the express invitation of Director Myer.



#### MRS. POMEROY LEAVING PROJECT TO JOIN HUSBAND

Mrs. Harriet Pomeroy, art teacher in the Minidoka schools, will sever her connection August with the project a month after her husband, Richard A. Pomeroy, former assistant project director in charge of community management, resigned to join the naturalization and immigration service in Seattle. After a brief vacation, Mrs. Pomeroy will join Mr. Pomeroy about August 12. Since July 1, she has been active in the summer school.

#### JOHN E. HUMPHRIES, MECHANIC AT GARAGE, DIES

John E. Humphries, mechanic at the project garage, died at his home in Jerome Friday night, the personnel office was notified Saturday morning by A. H. Connor, superintendent of motor transport and maintenance. He is survived by his widow and several children. Mrs. Humphries was ill in the hospital at the time of his death.

#### RICE AND O'BANNON JOIN MINIDOKA FROM JEROME CENTER

Louis E. Rice, farm superintendent, and W. Hugh O'Bannon, assistant storekeeper, arrived Friday night to join the A. P. Staff at Minidoka from the recently closed Jerome center. They will take up their duties here immediately.

#### MISS ELEANOR VOLD ELECTED BY DORMITORY 51

Miss Eleanor Vold, who was appointed temporary chairman of Dormitory 51 to hold election for representative on the A.P. Council tore a leaf out of Art Flicke's notebook and held an election Sunday night at an all - dormitory election. Yep, you guessed it. She was elected. So far as the Digest could learn, her election was unanimous.