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TO BEET OR NOT TO BEET

Callowhill, Pa. Camp—Verily, verily I say unto you the work in Idaho's sugar beet fields is nothing to sniff at for ordinary evacuee workers whose muscles have been flabby from months of inactivity in assembly and relocation centers. In fact, the work is surprisingly tough to put it mildly.

The first day, you go out and survey row and row of green tops of sugar beets and smile with satisfaction that you will come out with a couple hundred dollars in your pocket when the contract is over. At the end of the day you look at your swollen wrists and dirty wrinkled hands and almost topple over the unloaded beets in the field and curse the day when you signed for the work outside. The second day, you drag your aching body out of the camp bed and get on the truck, furnished by the farmer, and get to your field about 18 miles away from the camp. The rows and rows of green beet tops now seem like just that much more ton of dirty scrap iron to you. At the end of the day you begin to wonder how in the hell Robert Burns ever had the time and sentiment left in his body to see beauty in the dirt and "the wee field mice" to write poetry about them. The third day, you forget about "bringing home the bacon" and console yourself by figuring if you can make room and board for the day you're damn lucky.

It is difficult to imagine how hard the job is for some of our Tuleans who (Continued on Page 2)

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WSSF HERE TO AID STUDENTS

Miss Billie Rowland, who is executive secretary of the World Student Service fund, arrived here Monday morning with Bruce Maguire, national student secretary of the USA for the southwest region. She was here to talk with students and to study the needs for funds for the relocation of Japanese-American students.

The World Student Service fund, providing direct relief for students and professors who are victims of war, is international, non-sectarian, non-political and builds for the future through relief plus education and reconstruction, she said in discussing the W.S.S.F.

This was Miss Rowland's first visit to a relocation center.

SCOUT COURT

The Court of Honor scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 15 has been postponed a week to Nov. 22, it was announced today. All scouts qualified for advancement will be reviewed by examiners at 94608 on Saturday, Nov. 21, a group of 80 workers, is operating on a 24 hour basis, with separate crews on night and day shifts, to mop up operations preparatory to entering the coding project into full swing.

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ENTIRE REGIONAL RECORDS TO BE CODED IN COLONY

Miss Evelyn Rose, who recently arrived from the San Francisco offices, acting as supervisor, it was announced by the Records Office, operating in conjunction with the local Records Office. The Regional Statistics Office has been transferred here, with an estimated six months will be required for completion of this project, Frank Nakamura, manager, stated.

The coded records will be sent to the S.F. regional office where they will undergo a sorting and filing process. The records are intrinsically prepared on special cards. Each individual record is categorized and classified by a special card machine.

FIRST AID

Registration for standard and advanced courses in first aid classes, under the direction of Ose- mona Shizuma, is being taken at 3001-A.
LIFE AT TULE LAKE

has settled down to a
task of daily routine.
"Nothing ever happens
here," remarked Reporter
Melody Miyazaki as she
entered the kitchen. 

A mature beet-topper
is able to turn

The beet fields of Idaho.

Howard Inazeki

Melody Mizuguchi as she

more than 56 times. An

intelligent sort of fel-

lady, she is known to me

a veteran beet-topper;

in particular, amuses ne.

Editor Howard "Wo're-

puns just like anybody

ber of the audience.

While Tuleans were in

a turmoil during the-

first lengthy blackout

last Saturday evening.

two of the Colony's tra-

veling entertainment

shows had their share of

confusion.

At #620, the scene of

the issei entertainment

show, after patiently

waiting, was sent home as

the light service was not

restored.

After the crowd had

supposedly headed for

their homes, many who wan-

dered around the near by

blocks not lost. Call was

finally made to the war-

that no farm experi-

ence before evacuation.

how the picture: Get

all the #10 and #2-1 empty

cans from the mess halls

and fill them up with

Tule Lake sand so that

they will weigh anywhere

from three pounds to 15

bushel loads; place them

on the ground in two rows,
six to eight inches apart,

from the flag-pole to the

outdoor stage; get a

stick; about a foot long

with a hook at the end,

pick up these sand-filled

cans (step No. 2. tapping the beets);

after that, you can sort

of tap on the can with the

stick (emulating Step No.

2, tapping the beets);

then all this is done and

the cans are laid in one

row from the flag-pole to

the outdoor stage, you

get a truck from the Motor

Pool and load these three

to 15-pound cans on the

truck, bending and hid ing

your body several hundred times in all shap-

es from V to S, and then

you would have completed

the third and final step

(loading the beets).

If you had completed

the whole # cans before

noon, worked about four

hours, you would have

made about $2.50. If you

have enough strength left

in you to repeat the pro-

cess in the afternoon

and come out smiling,