

Project School Closure Dates Definitely Settled

Elementary Schools to Close May 18; High School, June 1—Kleinkopf

The academic school year of 1944-1945 of the elementary schools will be closed May 18, according to Arthur Kleinkopf, superintendent of schools. The High School will be closed on June 1, 1945.

The dates May 18 and June 1 will mark the closing of all formal accredited education in this center, Kleinkopf said.

"In spite of many trying circumstances and with the extreme difficulties encountered in securing supplies, equipment and personnel, the administration feels that school work has been a success during the three years of formal education here," Kleinkopf said.

Irrigation Of Blocks Starts May 14

Although water for resident gardens will be distributed throughout the project this year, due to a curtailment of labor in the Engineering Section, residents must make their own provisions for irrigating private gardens, according to Harvey Floyd, superintendent of highways, roads and irrigation.

Floyd said that the crew of nine which took care of this work last year is not now available, but the water would nevertheless be distributed through the blocks as before.

In Area A, Floyd explained, the water will be pumped into each block from Blk. 1 to 10 and will run through an open ditch from Blk. 10 to 19.

In Area B the water will be delivered from the irrigation canal to the southeast corner of Blk. 44 whence it will run to Blk. 31. At Blk. 31 another cut-in from the canal will bring water to Blk. 31 to 21.

Floyd said that the same amount of water will be available as last year, the only difference being that residents this year will have to build their own garden ditches.

According to Floyd, the irrigation canal water will be turned on May 14 to 15.

Hunt Graduate Seriously Wounded



Mr. and Mrs. M. Takahashi, 5-1-F, was notified by the War Department that their only son, Pvt. Mitsuru Takahashi, 20, was seriously wounded in action in Italy on April 20.

A member of the 442nd Infantry Regiment, Pvt. Takahashi was inducted into the Army in April, 1944, from this center. He received his basic training at Camp Blanding and was sent overseas in November, 1944.

He is a 1943 graduate of Hunt High School.

Benson Graduate Wounded Slightly

Receiving slight wounds in action on April 21 while serving with the 100th Infantry Battalion in Italy was Pvt. Tommy Namba, 23, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Namba of 31-3-D, and husband of Mrs. Margo Namba of Indianapolis, Indiana.



He was inducted into the Army from this center in May, 1944, and he received his basic training at Camp Blanding before he was sent

At the end of the school year, many of the teachers will be detailed to other types of work on the project. These details will be until August 31 at which time salaries for all teachers will end. A number of teachers will resign on June 1 and will be employed in the public school systems next fall. A small force of seven people will remain on in Education to take care of supplies, equipment, records and reports. All surplus supplies and equipment will be turned back to Property Control before the end of summer. During the summer, the final closing reports will be written by the various supervisors and administrators. These reports will include a course of study for the elementary schools, the high school, nursery schools and adult and vocational education. In addition, a historical narrative report telling the story of the Education Division from its beginning in 1942 until the end of the school year of June 1, 1945 will be written by members of the skeleton crew, Kleinkopf explained.

"The faculty including evacuee teachers, appointed personnel teachers and administration wishes to acknowledge its appreciation of the fine cooperation of the residents in their efforts to help build a good school system at Hunt," Kleinkopf said. The residents and the students have stood by under the most difficult and trying situations and have always been willing to put forth their best efforts for the sake of the education of the boys and girls. The Parent-Teacher Associations in both the elementary schools and in the high school have done an invaluable piece of work in their support of the schools. We wish to thank them and all other organizations for their fine support and help throughout the three years of school work."

The State of Idaho has been cooperative and helpful in making suggestions and giving advice in order to make an efficient school system on the project, Kleinkopf said. The Board of Consultants for the State of Idaho and the state school administrative officials have made regular annual visits to the project in order to help and to advise in school matters, Kleinkopf explained. The high school has been rated as a first-class secondary school in the state of Idaho by the Board each year, Kleinkopf said.

"The teachers and supervisors of the Education Section and the project administration sincerely believe that the students leaving Hunt will be well-grounded in the fundamentals of the tools of knowledge and that they will have gained much by the varied and different social impacts which were inevitable in a relocation center. It is our sincere hope that these students will carry on and complete their education in the public school systems wherever they may be next year. May they receive much glory and credit which is justly due them. They have played their part well, here, in a sportsmanlike and acceptable manner. May they continue to do so after relocation," Kleinkopf concluded.

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