

night in the week without any cost to them. As a public service, the establishment of this recreation hall deserves special merit because it was made available to the Dinuba youth at a real sacrifice in time and money by a group of citizens. It contrasts with the endeavor of a few public-spirited personalities who attempted to create a weekly "fun night" at the Arvin school and failed because of the lack of interest among community leaders and their unwillingness to make the necessary sacrifices.

These activities in Dinuba are over and above those made possible by the schools and the general park facilities available to the boys and girls. The difference between the two communities can be summarized as follows: An Arvin high-school youth can participate in ball games once or twice a week and can go to Scout meetings. Otherwise his only recreation is at the movies, a commercial skating rink open during the summer, or the pool halls. A Dinuba youth can go to a dance, play either on the school grounds under supervision or at a park, participate in high-school activities, can go to Scout meeting or to the DeMolay (or Rainbow) meeting, can spend his evenings in the recreation center, or can participate with others under supervision in one or more hobbies. There are three moving-picture theaters and a commercial dance hall, if he wishes to pay for his recreation. County libraries are available in both communities. Obviously the opportunities for social contacts and personal development are greater for the Dinuba youth than for those of Arvin.

It should be added that the Dinuba facilities are not locally considered adequate. Neither community has a swimming pool, and this lack is very keenly felt. There is insufficient playground equipment in the park, and there is no counterpart to the recreation center for the use of girls. At one time there was a WPA-sponsored recreation program which, according to the justice of the peace, lessened juvenile misbehavior. High-school students presented a symposium to the Dinuba Rotarians on juvenile delinquency and concluded that more facilities were needed.

THE SOCIAL ROLE OF THE CHURCH

Arvin has the following churches: Catholic, Union Congregational, Church of the Nazarene, Assembly of God Church, Missionary Baptist, Church of Christ, and Pentecostal. At some times there is a second Pentecostal church serving the Mexicans, and there is a group of adherents to Jehovah's Witnesses.

In Dinuba there are: Presbyterian, Christian Church, Methodist, Baptist, Seventh-Day Adventist (two groups), Zion Mennonite, Mennonite Brethren, Church of the Nazarene, Church of God, Assembly of God, Church of Christ, Four Square Church, Korean Presbyterian, and an Armenian Church. Prior to evacuation there was a Japanese Buddhist group and there has also been a Mexican Methodist congregation, while Mormons, Catholics, and Lutherans have meetings periodically in Dinuba, though no regular church. Both in the number of congregations and in the total amount of church facilities available, the Dinuba community is richer.

Despite the large number of churches in both communities, only about two-thirds of the population are either members or attend