

# 12,000 EVACUEES RETURN TO COAST

## INCREASING RAPIDLY

LOS ANGELES--Already approximately 12,000 evacuees have returned to the Pacific coast, mostly to California, and the number is increasing rapidly.

This was revealed by Ed Marks, WRA spokesman, to the House sub-committee on immigration meeting here. He also stated that thousands of evacuees will not return to California, but will settle in other areas. Many have resettled in the Rocky Mountain area and the Middle West, while others have gone to the East Coast, Marks added.

The returnees to the West Coast are given return transportation but beyond that they are "pretty much on their own," Marks said.

A. L. Wirin, American Civil Liberties Union attorney, speaking before the committee, decried the indiscriminate deportation of "Japanese" and other aliens, and at the same time favored the naturalization of all aliens in the United States of proven loyalty.

## KAWAYE DISCHARGED

T/4; Harumi H. Kawaye, son of Etsuji Kawaye, 7H-7C, was discharged from the US Army on Aug. 25, 1945, at Fort Logan, Colo., according to the Prowers County Selective Service board, Lamar, this week.

A short sketch of Sergeant Kawaye's war activities follows:

He was a member of Headquarters Translators Interpreter section ASAFFE, AC. Inducted at Sacramento, Calif., on March 18, 1941, Kawaye served two years, three months, 15 days overseas as an interpreter, in the New Guinea, Bismarck Archipelago, Southern Philippines and Luzon campaigns. He has the Good Conduct medal, Distinguished Unit citation with two CLC, American Defense service medal and Philippine Liberation ribbon with one bronze star. Before going abroad, he attended the language school at Camp Savage, Minn.

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## 4 DRAFTEES REPORT FOR ARMY INDUCTION

Four Amache inductees left early last Wednesday morning for Ft. Logan, Colo., to report for their induction into the US Army from the Prowers County Selective Service board, according to the center internal security office.

They were as follows:

JOE TAKASHI ARII (former PIONEER staff member), 7E-2A; Takaji Tanabe, 6H-8C; Edwin Nori Toyama, Granada, and Kenji Yamaga, 7F-11B.

Others listed on the call will report from the boards to which they transferred.

## 2 LEAVE FOR PREINDUCTION

A duo of local selectees departed Thursday morning for their Army preinduction physical examination at the Denver Army induction station.

Following boys reported: Thomas Fumio Hatamiya, 6H-7E, and Tom Tokunaga, 7F-1E.

Also listed on the call were Goro Shizuru (12E-10B), of Chicago, and Takatoshi Uyesugi (8F-7E), of Cleveland. Yoshio Nakamura (9K-12B) transferred to Laramie, Wyo., Selective Service board and will report from there on Sept. 10.

## 3 ISSUE NEXT WEEK: SOS.SOS

In order to put all of our efforts into the final edition slated for Sept. 15, there will be no Wednesday's issue of the PIONEER next week.

SOS is hereby sent to all those wishing to volunteer their services to the overworked staff. Typists, artists, writers, and technicians are urgently needed. Come in anytime during work hours next week and your efforts will be put to good use, and with appreciation.

## COAST GUARD REVOKES RESTRICTIONS ON NISEI

All special wartime

## WESTBOUND CARS LEAVE MORNING

All West Coast special coaches are scheduled to leave Granada at 11:49 a.m. attached to the local and make westbound connections at La Junta. The new departure time went into effect last Thursday.

This is one of the departure changes worked out by a Santa Fe railroad representative and the local project officials to conserve labor, which is becoming quite a problem. It will also be more convenient for the West Coast returnees and all others concerned.

restrictions and clearance procedures especially applicable to the employment of Japanese Americans on waterfront facilities and vessels have been revoked, according to a teletype received here by James G. Lindley, project director, from Malcolm E. Pitts, of the Washington WRA office. The text of the teletype disclosing the revocation follows:

"Effective with formal surrender of Japan the commandant of the coast guard has revoked all special wartime restrictions and clearance procedures especially applicable to employment of U. S. citizens of Japanese descent on waterfront facilities and continued on page 3

# NIISEI POTPOURRI

by ROY YOSHIDA

## CASTING SHADOWS

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, particularly those east of the Continental Divide, thanks to the evacuation (felt more like excavation to most of us) got a liberal first hand education on the behavior and characteristics of persons of Japanese ancestry -- West Coast variety.

Likewise, never in history have so many nisei and issei put on their travel togs to "see America first." They are scattered all over the country, in many strange places. Thus helping America as a whole to better understand the Japanese people in the United States.

But coming events are beginning to cast their shadows. And they show a decided change in relocation destinations. Whereas, previously, East and Middle West were popular resettlement areas, the needle of the resettlement compass has veered sharply and is now pointing due West--but definitely.

And the itch to go back to Kashu (California) isn't confined to center residents only. There are many relocatees out in Midwest and Eastern areas casting "homesick" eyes toward the West Coast. Already many are said to be besieging the relocation offices in various cities, making re-resettlement plans.

Sure as dust storms in Amache, you can expect an exodus of relocatees joining the chorus on "California, Here I Come"--before the cold winter sets in. Although there will be places along the coast where the welcome mat will be conspicuously absent, to many "there's no place like home" and come hell and high water they are going there.

This rush to California does not necessarily mean that we shall see the "Lil' Tokios," of preevacuation days. But there will be the so-called "Japanese section" at places where goodly number of "boochies" are located. You can't

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## TOPSOIL OF THE SPIRIT

EVERY human being is endowed with a limited and precious stock of attention-power; and life today is such that--unless the individual is singularly obstinate and cunning--this power of mind may easily be dissipated or conventionalized by endless competitive demands. By newspapers, by electric lights, by telephone, by radio, by moving pictures, by airplane and motor car and church and school and state, by a thousand appeals, admonitions, the mind is assailed and distracted. We hear a good deal about the agricultural problem of soil erosion; hillsides denuded of fertile soil by the actions of streams, or great regions of Middle Western richness scoured off by dust storms. Surely not less serious is the matter of mind erosion; the dust storms of daily excitement and of continual triviality can easily blow away the sensitive topsoil of the spirit.

--Christophor Morley.

## CHICAGO "FEPC"

### PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION

Chicago has an "FEPC" of its own, even if the state legislature did reject a fair employment practices act last spring.

The city council there recently approved an ordinance which prohibits racial discrimination in city employment and on any jobs performed for the city by private contractors and sub-contractors.

A broader clause calls for a \$200 fine against any

escape it. It has happened in such big cities as New York and Chicago, while Denver reminds one of the good old days in California.

DISPERSAL... (remember?) that was one of WRA's prize plans to solve the West Coast Japanese problem. It worked nicely while the coast was a "closed territory." But since reopening the West Coast to the evacuees, dispersal has taken a back seat.

Besides, it seems quite obvious the question today isn't so much dispersal as disposal that's worrying the officials of the various centers. It isn't destination, it's departures that seems to be of prime importance.

How times have changed.

person found guilty of practicing racial discrimination in such matters of employment as hiring and firing. The ordinance also states that unions shall not discriminate on the basis of color.

### MUST NOTIFY 3 DAYS AHEAD

It will be necessary to give 72-hour notice for picking up express and freight because of the critical shortage of help in the evacuee property section, according to Herbert J. Vatcher, evacuee property officer.

Residents are asked to be patient and their goods will be taken care of, but the evacuee property office must be notified three days in advance of the departure date.

### LAKES OFFICES 40-HOUR WEEK

CLEVELAND--In line with WRA directive all offices of the Great Lakes area will go on a 40-hour week Sept. 9. All offices will be closed on Saturdays.

Offices listed in the area are Cleveland, Detroit, Cincinnati, Columbus, Buffalo and Pittsburg.

# TO RELINQUISH BUILDINGS

SACRAMENTO--Local Buddhist church and gymnasium, which had been used as Army induction center, will be relinquished soon, according to Army and State Selective Service officials.

WRA representatives here report they are interested in converting the gymnasium into a hostel to accommodate returnees while they make arrangements for a permanent residence. No arrangements have been completed as yet.

Maj. Bernard P. Cody, Northern California Army induction officer stated the buildings will be returned to the owners on Sept. 15.

# WISITING SOLDIERS

Cpl. Yoshio G. Nakamura, Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colo.; Cpl. Hiroshi Mitobe, Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

# Letter

## TO THE EDITOR

TO THE FRESNO BEE:

Editor--Sir: Move over, all you gripers, and give me room. I have a beef too.

First a question: Is a person born in these United States a natural born citizen or is he an alien? I will answer my own question thank you. He very definitely is a citizen and as such is entitled to all the benefits of a citizen, even high taxes.

Every day the papers have such headlines as these: "Another Japanese Family Returns Home." Are these families who are returning home Japanese or are they Japanese Americans, born under our Flag?

If they are Japanese born and raised in Japan, why are they not sent home where they belong and where no doubt they would be welcome? If, on the other hand, they are Americans why call them Japanese?

Thousands of Americans of Japanese descent who fought side by side with the white boys of our nationality are Americans.

For heaven's sake stop calling Americans Japanese. Fresno FAIR PLAY.

# OPEN MILWAUKEE HOSTEL; OFFER TEMP HOUSE SPACE

MILWAUKEE, Wis.--The Milwaukee Resettlement Association recently announced the opening of its hostel here at 1426 North Prospect avenue, which was reported to be ready for occupancy on or about Sept. 1.

The large three-story building contains over 20 rooms, of which approximately 15 are sleeping rooms of varying sizes. A typical room has three single beds complete with linens and blankets, a small fireplace, writing, desk, bookcase, table, chairs and lamps.

Although evacuees will have priority of occupying the hostel during the next 12 months, the resettlement committee may keep the building open permanently as a temporary shelter for dislocated people. The tentative rate schedule: adults--\$1 a day while unemployed; and \$1.50 when employed; children under 8 --50 cents a day, if parents unemployed, and 75 cents a day, if parents employed.

The association also has obtained use of the YMCA coach house, 2323 West Wisconsin avenue, as a warehouse for the property of

newcomers without a permanent address upon arrival.

Reservations should be made through the relocation program office at the relocation center.

# TO DISCONTINUE MOVIES SOON

CA movies will be discontinued after next Saturday, Sept. 15, announced Min Imanura, motion picture supervisor, yesterday.

Due to uncertainty of the movies (titles) to be presented and the showing place and time, all coming movie schedules will be made public through the block managers, added Imanura.

# EVACUEES LOAD FREIGHT CARS

Former residents of Corcoran, Livingston and Walnut Grove have been loading a number of cars of freight at the Granada station for those points, according to Herbert J. Vatcher, evacuee property officer.

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| AMACHE POPULATION CHART |       |
| January 2, 1945...      | 6,253 |
| Sept. 6, 1945....       | 2,838 |

# PLEAD NOT GUILTY IN NISEI DYNAMITE CHARGE

SACRAMENTO--The Watson brothers, James Edward and Claude P., pleaded innocent to possession and illegal use of dynamite upon arraignment in Federal District Judge Martin I. Welsh's court last week. The brothers were indicted by a federal grand jury of having attempted to dynamite the fruit packing shed of Sumio Doi, Auburn nisei, last January.

# MAY ENROLL IN LA SCHOOLS

In reply to an inquiry concerning registration in the Los Angeles public schools, Walter J. Knodel, relocation program officer, received a teletype reply yesterday to the effect that all children may enroll in elementary and high schools there "on and after Sept. 4."

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—continued from page 1—vessels. They are subject hereafter only to the same locally determined requirements applicable to all citizens operating on waterfront facilities and vessels in peace time. Representations now being made to Navy to rescind restrictions on Japanese nationals."

Their trial was set for Oct. 2 over the objection of their attorney who asked for more time. Assistant US Attorney Emmett Sewell protested delay, declaring that the US Attorney General was interested in the case and favored prompt prosecution.

"That we have but little faith is not sad, but that we have but little faithfulness. By faithfulness faith is earned."  
--Henry David Thoreau.



# HAS 1200-ACRE FARM TO LEASE

A very fine offer of a 1200-acre ranch available immediately for leasing at Kingsburg, Calif., with adequate housing for 29 families was received by Project Director James G. Lindley few days ago via teletype.

Cash leases are offered at \$25 to \$30 an acre, or part cash and share-crop. Crops grown on the ranch are listed as cotton, vegetable, alfalfa, and grain. Work harvesting tomatoes is now available, it was added.

Further information may be obtained at the relocation program office.

## AIDS EVACUEES WITH CHECK-UP

Beginning last Wednesday, a member of the appointed personnel has been calling on each resident the day before his scheduled departure from the center. The purpose of this visit is to assist the prospective relocatee by checking to see if everything is in order--ration books, property transfer blanks, passes, and so forth.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

### FOR SALE:

Modern apartment house. Hot water, staker, etc. Can take immediate possession as owner must leave because of health. House located at 1105 Stout street, Denver. See Joe Donnegan, leave officer; for further information.

### FOR SALE:

Completely equipped cafe.

### FOR RENT:

Completely equipped cafe. Has 42 cubic foot refrigerator, china-gama, dishes, etc.

Both cafes located in heart of Denver Japanese section. Write E. T. Ozaki, 2909 Stout street, Denver, for further information.

# RELOCATION

S. Ide, Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 5.  
 Mary and Jo Ann Kudo, Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 5.  
 Kunijiro and Riku Date, New York, NY., Sept. 7.  
 Jitsuko, Yoshio, Michiko, Shigeo and Chizuko Ishibashi, Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Inaji and Chiyono Kinishara, Livingston, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Tomoshiro, Lei, Mae, Brian and Paulino Tanji, Livingston, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Masachika and Satsuki Yonemura, Sebastopol, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Chokichi, Maju and Keiko Sakaguchi, Cortez, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Minoru, Suekichi and Ichi Matsuda, Petaluma, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Yoshiko and Junko Masato, Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Tsutano, Rina, James and Mary Shoji, Livingston, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 George Hisatomi, Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Eiko, Kiyoshi, Darlene and Randolph Yamashita, Livingston, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 George Honda, San Jose, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Kimi, Rei and Ken Kagehiro, Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Yoshie, Matsuno and Yachi-Takayama, Ft. Lupton, Colo., Sept. 8.  
 Ainosuke and Man Nomiyama, Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Motome and Keiji Yoshimura, Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 8.  
 Raymond Toyama, Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Alice and Noboru Nakamoto, Petaluma, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Misako Ohama, New York, NY., Sept. 10.  
 Eddie Ito, Walnut Grove, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Sakutaro, Taro, Jane, William, Jerry, Grace and George Aso, Denver, Colo., Sept. 10.  
 Ensuke and Masu Morishige, Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 10.

Toyo and Tatsuguno Furu-  
 yo, Detroit, Mich., Sept. 10.  
 Chikamoto Nakamura, Fresno, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Takesaburo, Yonoko, Kana-  
 yo and Norio Maeda, Walnut  
 Grove, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Haru and Mickey Ogata,  
 Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Yoshie, Masatada and  
 Takashi Yoshida, Blanca,  
 Colo., Sept. 10.  
 Tokuye, Dorothy, Takako,  
 Kuzuko and Heita Fuchigami,  
 Greeley, Colo., Sept. 10.  
 Yoshiko Nakamura, Wood-  
 land, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Masaki Tomoda, Walnut  
 Grove, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Genji, Kamiyo and Toshiye  
 Miyasaki, Walnut Grove,  
 Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Waichi Matsumoto, Walnut  
 Grove, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Eniko, Yuriko, Hitomi,  
 Kaname, Satoshi, Fujio,  
 Akio and Hitoshi Shinozaki,  
 Walnut Grove, Calif., Sept. 10.  
 Tom and Torakichi Tako-  
 mura, Walnut Grove, Calif.,  
 Sept. 10.  
 Tetsuji and Jimmy Hira-  
 kawa, Denver, Colo., Sept. 10.  
 Usaku and Anna Matsumura,  
 Denver, Colo., Sept. 10.  
 Koshiro and Chiyo Uekubo,  
 Chicago, Ill., Sept. 10.  
 Ichi Hironaka, Chicago,  
 Ill., Sept. 10.  
 Matsutaro Uyeda, Chicago,  
 Ill., Sept. 10.  
 Shichiro and Bun Hirota,  
 Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 10.  
 Genshu and Tomiye Wata-  
 nabe, Cincinnati, Ohio,  
 Sept. 10.  
 Lillie, Carolyn and Su-  
 sana Nakamura, Chicago,  
 Ill., Sept. 12.  
 Nobutaro Nishida,  
 Sacramento, Calif.,  
 Sept. 12.  
 Shigeki and Suyono Ma-  
 toba, Los Angeles, Calif.,  
 Sept. 12.  
 Yukiko Masuoka, San Fran-  
 cisco, Calif., Sept. 12.  
 Toshimi and Masumi Sasai,  
 Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 12.  
 Torusane Takahashi, Mon-  
 terey, Calif., Sept. 12.  
 Riichiro Nobe, Los An-  
 geles, Calif., Sept. 12.  
 Shigeyuki Mayemura, Chi-  
 cago, Ill., Sept. 12.  
 Aikichi and Chimo Arima,  
 Chicago, Ill., Sept. 12.  
 Maoji and Sano Nitta,  
 Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 12.  
 Shizuo, Kazuo, Masaki  
 and Takao Fujita, Los An-  
 geles, Calif., Sept. 14.  
 Iwako and Ehi Ando, San  
 Francisco, Calif., Sept. 14.

| CHURCH SERVICES SUNDAY     |            |        |
|----------------------------|------------|--------|
| Event                      | Time       | Place  |
| PROTESTANT                 |            |        |
| Sunday school              | 8:45 a.m.  | 8H-12A |
| English service            | 10:15 a.m. | 8H-12A |
| NICHIREN                   |            |        |
| Service                    | 9:00 a.m.  | 11H    |
| SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS     |            |        |
| Young People's Bible class | 7:00 p.m.  | 9H     |