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THOUGHT FOR THE TIME.

OBLIVION

Upon a hill called Calvary
 A Man went forth to die;
 He gave His body to a cross,
 They built it huge and high;
 They sent Him to oblivion
 With many a cruel cry!

Long years have passed since Calvary;
 Those cruel cries are dead!
 Dead, too, the hands that pressed the
 thorns
 In torture on His head ---
 All gone into oblivion;
 He is alive instead!
 ---- R. S. C.

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IMPERIALISM IN THE PACIFIC

"One of the great silences at Cairo, as Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette has pointed out, concerned the disposition of Japan's island bases in the Pacific. Clear indications were given with regard to the future of Korea, Manchuria and Formosa. But nothing was said about what is to be done with the islands mandated to Japan after the First World War or occupied in the Second, once the Japanese have been driven out. The Atlantic Charter declares that its signatories "seek no aggrandizement, territorial or other." The Cairo declaration affirms that the U. S., Great Britain and China "covet no gains for themselves and have no thought of territorial expansion".....

If the Pacific area is considered as a great triangle, reports now multiplying from two sides of that triangle indicate that the appetite for island bases is growing. Both in Australia and in the U. S., sentiment is rising in favor of large postwar annexations. To be sure, these are not spoken of as annexations. Imperialism rarely indulges in the luxury of candor. To listen to the imperialistic minded Australians and Americans who are after an island empire talk about it, all they want is to "secure" (not annex; no never that) certain "strategic bases" for "defense" which they will thereafter merely "administer" as "trustees" of world space.

It is high time to put an end to such pretense. Peace cannot rest on hypocrisy -- not even on the hypocrisy of a Class C mandate scheme. Let us all begin to say what we mean. If Australia is out to grab a Pacific island empire, and if the U. S. is out to do the same thing, let us say so and face the realities. If we do not face the realities now, we will have to do so eventually.....

But when Secretary Knox talks about securing bases throughout the Pacific which will enable this nation's navy to dominate that ocean for a hundred years what he means is an American Pacific Empire. If any other nation were to attempt

it, we Americans would call it by its true name in a minute.....

Here is the real problem which confronts all Americans who talk about a new world order coming out of this war. Concerning what happens after the war in Europe, the U. S. will probably not have a great deal to say. But concerning what happens in the world of the Pacific it will have a tremendous amount to say. And if what it says adds up to this attempt to impose an American imperialism, or an American-Australian imperialism, on Asia, the new world order will be nothing more than a period of preparation for an East vs. West world war. "

Christian Century, Jan. 12, 1944.

One big denomination of the U. S. is on a campaign right now; A Crusade for A New World Order, and is urging every member of that church to write to their congressman on where they stand as to the New World Order. This Pacific Imperialism is one thing that every American must watch out now, and not till after the war.

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LEADER LEAVES CAMP.

One of our fine leaders among the laymen, Henry Suzukida, will leave our camp to attend school and perhaps work, within a short time. Henry has been active in all activities of the church, as well as in other vital departments of the community. He is one of the ablest song leaders. We are sorry to see him leave we are happy that he can be of greater use in the world at large.

The best of luck to you, Henry!

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YOUNG LAYMEN LEAD GRANADA CHURCH SERVICE

Several young laymen of the Amache Nisei Church have gone down to the Granada Methodist Church in Granada town itself, to conduct their service since Rev. Williams came to Amache to preach to the Amache congregation. Sally Muranaga and some members of the choir assisted with music. Andy Noda and James Makimoto and others expressed their thoughts.

REV. W. WILLIAMS OF HOLLY AND GRANADA spoke at our Jan. 23rd morning service and we were happy to have him with us. Rev. Williams have always been helpful to us in many ways, and every Christmas he saw to it that we got a Christmas tree.

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CHILDRENS' MEETINGS.

There are childrens' meetings every Monday at LOH, at 4:00 P.M. and at Recreation Hall, every Friday, at 4:00 P.M. Tell your brothers and sisters about

it. Miss Grace De Camp is the leader of them.

JUNIOR CHURCH GROUP will begin Sunday afternoon, Jan. 23rd.

NOTES FROM THE CHOIR.

As it was announced before, the choir deserves a good deal of support from the congregation itself. It does not run by itself. It needs female and male voices to make it anything like a decent choir. The director is faithful, but the director can't do it all.

How about a little more help?

The choir practices at the High School music room, Tues. and Thur. at 7:00 P.M.

RELOCATION TEAM HERE.

The W. R. A. has sent in a Relocation Team of several prominent and able men, including Mr. Shirrell, formerly of Tulalake and now of Chicago, Mr. Pestero of Cleveland, and Dr. Webber, one of the ablest Caucasian speakers speaking in Japanese. Whether you agree with them is not the point, but to listen to facts presented is a vital necessity for all people of Japanese ancestry today.

It has been suggested that they include an evacuee relocatee on their team, but perhaps that can be worked out in the future.

The Relocation Information Bureau has a valuable list of Loan Associations of all variety, through the Federal Government, through which evacuees may loan money on their terms. It will be worth your while to get one and know what is available. The Bureau is in the back of the Pioneer Bldg.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP, is having a Scrap book collection meeting, where all kinds of valuable notes are brought and aired or analyzed or what not. 8H 1G. 7:00 P.M.

THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP, at Hospitality House, 6G, 6:30 P.M. Another valuable gathering is in store for everyone.

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BLITS OF NEWS ABOUT ORPHANED MISSIONS. From the International Missionary Council bulletin, November, 1943.

MADAGASCAR. Mr. W. Burton writes from Tananarive on May 25 that Mission work and inter-missionary cooperation are proceeding almost normally once more. "For one very short period the movements of foreign missionaries were restricted, whilst the lack of petrol greatly reduced the possibilities of itinerating." At one

time British missionaries were in danger of being interned by the local officials of Vichy France, but this was averted by the statesmanship of the Paris Mission with Mr. Reyrot as official liaison officer between missions and government. FINANCE: "Whilst most of the Missions at one time or another had to impose salary cuts on themselves in order to husband resources, at no time have we touched rock bottom and funds came through at providential times so that the work has been maintained without the workers' health being jeopardized. Perhaps the Norwegian missionaries suffered the most stringent cuts. The money from North America came just at the right time and was a great help to the Paris Mission. The Paris Mission has already received funds through its London agent, M. Collett and reckons on being able to carry on for the rest of the year without difficulty."

PALESTINE-- Mr. Eric F. F. Bishop of the Newman School of Missions, Tabor, Jerusalem writes asking for an additional \$500. From the Lutheran World Convention for the Carmel Mission in Haifa and for an additional \$400. from the Orphaned Missions Fund of the International Missionary Council. to increase the gratuities of the eight or nine German missionaries interned in Palestine. Both amounts were sent.

SOLOMON ISLANDS. -- Bishop of Melanesia, Eludes Japanese During Occupation of Solomons. Wellington, N.Z. Oct. 29-- Bishop Walter Baddeley, head of the Anglican Church in Melanesia, who stayed in the Central Solomons throughout the Japanese occupation, said that he did not see anything remarkable in his accomplishment. "It was simply a case of getting off the track when you heard the express coming and returning to carry on after it passed. Undoubtedly they intended permanent occupation. They.. banned religious observances, but these went on all the same. It was remarkable how normal life remained despite the near presence of war."

WELLINGTON, N. Z. Nov. 2nd.-- Solomons Missions Wrecked. War damage to mission property in the Central Solomons alone was estimated at \$125,000, by Bishop Baddeley of Melanesia. "Many mission schools have been destroyed. The church at Tulagi is a total loss. (N. Y. Times.)

"ORPHANED MISSIONS" in Reverse. The Swedish Baptist Missionary Society reported at its Autumn meeting in Stockholm that in non-occupied areas of China Swedish Baptist missionaries have been limited in their activities because of war conditions, but have been able to assist German-American Lutheran missionaries out off from contact with their home Boards. (Religious News Service, Oct. 18, '43.)

Some of the Nisei Taking part in the Wesley Foundation meetings at Greeley are Eunice Noda, Masy Tashima, Fred Hashimoto, Frances Tachiyi, Ben Hashimoto, Esther Onda, Paul Hosniko, from Jap. to Los.