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(This issue of the DAILY PRESS REVIEW includes a digest of the most important news items, articles and editorials appearing in newspapers and periodicals reaching the San Francisco Regional Office in the last 24 hours. If you wish to refer to any clippings, please telephone Miss Elinor Bauman, Head of the Documents Section, Branch 300, Room 362.)

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"The Truth Behind Japanese Rumors"

Calif. The second of a series of articles stating the findings of four Redding business men who investigated conditions at the Tule Lake War Relocation Project reveals that "the nearer they drew to the camp, the less tangible and definite the stories became. Most of them proved, in the opinion of the investigators, to be absolutely false and the rest grossly exaggerated. It was significant that no one could be found who said he had seen, first hand, any of these 'outrages' which were described...." Six more rumors are shown to be totally unwarranted or greatly exaggerated.-- Redding Record-Searchlight, October 26, pp. 1, 2. #1940

Nine Alien Concerns Seized

Wash. D. C. Washington--"Seizure of an Italian shipping line, of four Japanese trading companies of New York, of four other enemy-controlled concerns and of two carloads of steel was announced...by the Alien Property Custodian, Leo T. Crowley...."--New York Times, October 24, p. 4. #1941

Leaders of Pro-Japanese Cults Indicted

Ill. Chicago--"Twelve Negro leaders of three pro-Japanese cults were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury...on charges of sedition and conspiracy to promote sedition...." Among statements attributed to the leaders was this: "Negroes should not support the American war effort since there is a common bond between the Japanese and the Negroes..."--New York Times, October 24, p. 8. #1942

"Watch Out For Rumors"

Calif. An editorial with reasonable explanations, points out the various dangers of listening to, and passing on, rumors. The case of rumors regarding actions of evacuees at Tule Lake is specifically mentioned, "Lieut. Gen. J. L. DeWitt.....is warning of the possibility of sabotage on the west coast, and along with that goes fifth column work. A gullible public, ready to seize and magnify rumors, is a fertile field for the fifth columnist who spreads disturbing rumors to upset and disunite the people..."--Redding Record-Searchlight, October 26, p. 4. #1943

"Argentina Ousts Japanese Spy"

S. A. Buenos Aires (AP)--Argentina ordered deportation of Garo Miyazaki, prominent Japanese and member of the Japanese export-import firm of Nambei of Buenos Aires, who had returned to Argentina secretly after having been previously expelled.--New York Times, October 24, p. 4. #1944

"WRA to Check Camp Reports"

Wash. D. C. Washington (AP)--"Representative Pierce (Oregon) said today the war relocation authority had agreed to make an immediate investigation of the Tule Lake, Calif., Japanese re-location camp to determine the accuracy of reports that aliens there were persuading American-born Japanese in the camp to refuse to accept farm work in the neighborhood.... The Tolan house committee had looked into the Japanese situation on the Pacific coast and was trying to determine whether the WRA needed more legal authority to handle the Tule Lake situation."--Redding Record-Searchlight, October 27, p. 1. #1945

"Elder Jap Evacuees Satisfied With Camps"

Wash. D. C. Washington (AP)--"The American Red Cross said today in a survey report made public by Secretary of War Stimson, that elder Japanese aliens held in evacuation camps, 'apparently feel that they are being extremely well treated.'... The greatest number of complaints (came) from the younger Japanese evacuees, 'many complaining over losing contact with outside Caucasians.'..."--San Francisco Call-Bulletin, October 29, p. 8. #1946

"Last of Japanese Leave Santa Anita..."

Calif. Santa Anita (INS)--"The huge Santa Anita horse race track was completely cleared of Japanese" after the final contingent of 500 left today.- San Francisco Call-Bulletin, October 29, p. 2. #1947

