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SUMMARY

Reports of new developments were at a low ebb this week. References to WRA and the evacuees were largely expressions of opinion from editors, columnists, and the public, only a fair percentage of which were favorable.

WRA "coddling" was particularly criticized and blamed as the basis for Japan's refusal to negotiate regarding further exchanges until a report was received from the Spanish Consulate on its investigation of the centers. The Consuls report found conditions at the centers "very satisfactory."

Highlight of the week was a favorable resolution adopted by the California State Agriculture Board which declared that Japanese-Americans should not be barred from the agricultural life of California after military authorities have approved their return. It prompted an immediate and irritated outburst from California's Governor Earl Warren, who charged that the resolution was only passed because three members of the board took advantage of a "skeletonized meeting." A S. F. CHRONICLE editorial pointed out that not only the resolution, but also any further argument on the Japanese problem would make little difference, as the Constitution would remain the deciding factor.

Note: Clippings in the Press Review commencing with this issue will be numbered to facilitate further reference. Requests for a particular clipping should include the number as well as the name and date of the paper.

An additional section has been added at the end of the Review which will list belatedly received clippings from additional papers dealing with topics previously reviewed.

CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS

L. A. TIMES correspondent notes conflicting attitudes of three factions among the West Coast congressmen on the "tactics to be followed in obtaining more strict control over disloyal Jap aliens and American-born citizens...at Tule Lake." Sees possibility of an "embarrassing showdown" in discussion, due after the Congressional recess, of a formal request to the President for "removal of Director Dillon S. Myer and house-cleaning of the WRA." L. A. TIMES, 12/28/43

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Rep. Herman P. Eberharter (Pa.), member of the Dies sub-committee, defends the WRA policy in an address to the Hungry Club in Pittsburgh, Pa. Says most criticism of the agency has been from groups who advocate treating all Japanese, aliens and American citizens, as prisoners of war, and notes that only the Tule Lake center has had any major difficulty. Pittsburgh, Pa. POST GAZETTE, 12/28/43

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TULE LAKE

S. F. EXAMINER reports that the Army and the WRA will continue to "share" control of the Tule Lake center. Says construction of a "huge separation fence from one end of the camp to the other" bears out unofficial reports that the ringleaders of the November disturbances will be under supervision of the Army, while those not directly associated with the uprisings will be under the direction of WRA. (Ed. note: This report is misleading. There has been no determination that troublemakers at Tule will remain under supervision of the Army.) S. F. EXAMINER, 12/19/43 3.

PUBLIC ATTITUDES

Columnist

Columnist in CIO paper comments on Thanksgiving turkey for the evacuees; says "Apparently all you have to do to get the best is to be an enemy." Notes that there was no turkey to be had in Plymouth, Mass., home of the first Thanksgiving. "The Passing Show", By Wm. Dowd, THE RANGE KEEPER, 12/43 4.

Sacramento columnist criticizes WRA for placing the segregated evacuees in a California center in face of the public animosity on the West Coast; feels the selection of Tule Lake "branded the WRA as the wrong government agency to be handling these evacuated people." Comments that the Army has declined to act as their guardians, but feels that is no reason why the evacuees "should be regarded as special guests of the government and be treated as a social service problem." "Sacramento", By C. J. L., Sacramento, Calif. UNION, 12/15/43. 5.

Arizona columnist notes state supreme court's ruling that the Arizona law, requiring public notice of business dealings with persons whose movements are restricted, is unconstitutional. Declares that problem of handling Japanese-Americans now and after the war is likely to be a "headache here in the west." "Sagebrush Salve", By Mac, Bisbee, Ariz. BREWERY GUILD GAZETTE, ;2/16/43 6.

Arkansas columnist praises highly a publication received from the Rohwer relocation center titled "Lil Dan'l--One Year in a Relocation Center", which is a cartoon creation by George Akinoto, editor of the Rohwer OUTPOST. Pays honor to the evacuees for their courageous attitude in the face of "all sorts of discomfort and knowledge of injustice", expressing hope that "justice finally is accorded them in attainment of their constitutional rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and the reclaiming of their property." "Round About Town", By Lessie S. Read, Fayetteville, Ark. NORTHWEST ARKANSAS TIMES, 12/30/43 7.

Arizona columnist ends tirade against actions of all Japanese with remark "They drunk up our whiskey at Tule Lake. Gawd, how we hate 'em." "Foxtail Johnson Objects", ARIZONA FARMER, 1/1/44 8.

Columnist comments on previously reported "Hate the Enemy" mass meeting in Japan at which recently repatriated Japanese spoke on conditions in America (see Review 12/8/43). Adds charge of Dr. Tokuji Takehashi, former Pearl Harbor resident, that he was "mistreated by the Americans, being

lodged in a 'cell with bars' at 4 p.m., Dec. 7, 1941." "This World Today", By Royce Brier, (unspecified source). 9.

California columnist hopes "the inciters of disunity who have been heckling the WRA" are satisfied with Tokyo reaction "that increasingly jeopardizes the welfare of American prisoners of war." By Matt Weinstock, L. A. NEWS, (date not given). 10.

Wash. D. C. columnist reports that "High executives of the War Department are proud of the way in which Japanese-American soldiers have responded to the call of American patriotism and done a good job in the Army." Recalls reports of their heroism in Italy. "Washington Merry-Go-Round", By Drew Pearson, Wash. D. C. POST, 1/3/44. In a later edition of his column Mr. Pearson comments on a discussion between Vice-President Wallace and a young college newspaper editor, in which Mr. Wallace describe Psalm 118, verse 22 of the Bible as a reference to all the rejected peoples in the world; pointing out that "They work harder and hang together and get to be a dominant people." The Vice-President, according to Pearson, stated that this is "true of the Jews, and it may prove true of the Negroes and even the Japanese-Americans who are being spat upon today." Wash. D. C. POST, 1/6/44 11 --12

Editorials

Favorable

Montana editor urges less talk and more discretion among newspapers and public officials whose advocacy of drastic measures of control for the Tule Lake evacuees has resulted in Japan's request for an investigation of the centers, and may result in "still more unsatisfactory treatment of our citizens in Japanese camps..." Great Falls, Mont. TRIBUNE, 12/19/43 13.

Arizona editor criticizes Dr. John H. Lehner, executive secretary of the Americanism Educational League for speech in Phoenix on Shintoism; finds his answers to questions from the audience belie the sincerity of his assertions that his fight against the Japanese is because of Shintoism and not because of race hatred. Phoenix, Ariz. DUNBAR'S WEEKLY, 12/20/43 14.

Another Montana editor is impressed by pictures of the Japanese-American's fighting in Italy; notes that the evacuees, like many other groups of Americans, were exposed to hardships justifiable for national security in time of war, but urges "a well defined movement back to the Bill of Rights" after the war for the protection of the liberties of all Americans. Butte, Mont. STANDARD, 12/22/43 15.

San Francisco editor fails to see how a resolution by the California State Board of Agriculture, "either for or against an eventual return of the Japanese to California", can change the situation in any way. Finds present argument futile as after the emergency is over "the rights of citizens again rise supreme." S. F. CHRONICLE, 12/22/43 16.

Wisconsin editor comments on Kohler high school war bond campaign which netted the cost of three jeeps (see Review 12/15/43); asks "Are we, with all the freedom we still have, doing as much?" Madison, Wisc. STATE JOURNAL, 12/27/43 17.

Idaho editor describes unusual case of a Coeur d'Alene Indian who insisted on paying income tax which he did not legally owe due to his membership in a tribe; points out also that there are more Indians in the armed forces proportionately than any other racial group in this country despite the fact that the Indian's standing 50 years ago "was worse than that of our Japanese population today." Finds "a little decent treatment" wrought the "miracle." Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES NEWS, 12/29/43 18.

Another Idaho editor roundly denounces the adoption of a "stupid and contemptible resolution" by the Idaho State Grange which recommended that "no part or parcel of land in the U. S. be sold or leased to any Japanese by the owner or agent thereof or by the United States government." Idaho DAILY STATESMAN, 12/22/43, reprinted in the Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES NEWS, 1/2/44 19.-20.

Hostile

Six additional editorials on the "bathtub" article continue to upbraid the WRA; the New Deal and particularly Mr. Dakan. Enid, Okla. NEWS, 12/21/43 disagrees with those who call it typical of the "depths" to which the New Deal bureaucracy sinks; finds it an example of the "surface", and says "the 'depths' are far below and beyond the reach of human imagination!" Ashland, Ky. INDEPENDENT, 12/21/43, finds Washington's lawmakers are still "boiling mad" over the article, while the PACIFIC RURAL PRESS, 12/25/43, gets "one of the best laughs we have had lately" at the idea of California Japanese being able to teach anyone anything about cleanliness or agricultural practices. Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES NEWS, 12/25/43, reprints an editorial from the New York TIMES, deploring the fact that the bungling of Mr. Dakan has only made the lot of the loyal Japanese-Americans harder. Pittsburgh, Pa. POST GAZETTE, 12/28/43 criticizes the Republican National Committee for its distribution of a facsimile copy of "Midwest Frontiers" in an attempt to gain the farmer vote; pointing out that there are more important things for the American voters to think about at this time. Zanesville, Ohio TIMES RECORDER, 12/28/43, uses the "bathtub" article as a springboard for an unfavorable review of the WRA, noting that while the evacuees were under the "strict surveillance" of the Army, no trouble was recorded. 21.-26

Hearst editorial agrees with Rep. Clair Engle's (Cal.) statement that Director Myer should be removed from the WRA, but adds that any New Deal expedient of "simply elevating another director of the same stripe to his place" will not do. Declares "The WRA should be ABOLISHED, rather than merely put through the wringer of pretended reform." S. F. EXAMINER, 12/27/43 27.-28.
L. A. EXAMINER, 12/27/43

Oregon editor feels West Coast congressmen have not gone far enough in their three-fold proposal on the Japanese problem (see Review 12/29/43) which calls for supervision of the Tule Lake center by the Dept. of Justice; urges control of the center by a military police organization. Salem, Oregon JOURNAL, 12/17/43. A Mississippi editor also comments that the Army was called into Tule Lake as a "last resort" and predicts that it will continue "as the guardian of this troublesome location." Biloxi, Miss. HERALD, 12/29/43 29.-30.

Three West Coast editors place the blame for Japan's refusal to negotiate further exchanges of nationals until after a Spanish investigation of the relocation centers, upon the "coddling" of the evacuees by WRA.

The Fresno, Calif. BEE finds statement by R. B. Cozzens, WRA assistant director, that the interruption of negotiations was caused by agitators of race hatred, is "absurd, ill advised and insulting to practically all Pacific Coast congressmen and many public spirited organizations." Sacramento, Cal. UNION, 12/14/43, Portland, Oreg. OREGONIAN, 12/15/43, Fresno, Cal. BEE, 12/20/43

31.-33.

Massachusetts editor comments on the "handsome and lenient" treatment given the evacuees: says we have not erred and cannot afford to err, on the side of harshness "for the sake of our own soldiers and civilians in Jap hands" but that a combination of "strictness and wisdom" with "all due consideration" is needed. Lynn, Mass. TELEGRAM NEWS, 12/20/43

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New Jersey editor points out that as a "man-for-man exchange" of Japanese and American internees would leave an "excess of 100,000 Japanese to be held in the U. S. for the duration", Japan would naturally prefer to retain a considerable number of American civilians for the purpose of obtaining better conditions for Japanese here. Says we must see that our "internment camps" are well run so that there will be "nothing to fear from neutral investigation." Newark, N. J. EVENING NEWS, 12/20/43

35.

Chicago editor comes to roundabout conclusion that "in view of the general prewar 'live and let live' attitude of Californians toward Japanese" in this country, the unfavorable reaction recently recorded by the Los Angeles TIMES poll would indicate the WRA has not handled its problem successfully. Adds that "unintelligent handling of the Tule Lake situation" is to blame for the delay in the further exchange of "internees." Chicago, ILL. NEWS 12/43

36.

"Nobody wants the Tule Lake Japs", says Montana editor, adding that WRA is "ready to throw in the sponge at Tule Lake" but can't until some other agency is "able and willing to take charge." Butte Mont. STANDARD, 12/30/43

37.

Chicago TRIBUNE cartoon shows an exasperated farmer who has just made his "daily trip down to the mail box" which he finds crammed with government advice and "helpful hints" mailed in postage free envelopes. Barnyard animals finding it all a hilarious joke make such remarks as "He still talks to his self when he thinks of a Jap givin' him a bath!" 12/28/43

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Feature Articles

PIC magazine carries an illustrated article on "The Lovely Sono Osato"; finds her "scoring a triumphant hit" in the New York musical comedy "One Touch of Venus", and says "her electrifying dancing...brought glowing praise from the first-night critics and cheers from the audience." (see Review 10/13/43 for previous report). 12/21/43

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Letters to the Editor

Contributor rebukes those citizens who "celebrated Bill of Rights Week by proclaiming themselves in favor of permanent expulsion of people of Japanese descent--presumably on the theory that it is a matter of majority vote...." Points out that the Bill of Rights guarantees individual rights against just such a "tyranny of the majority." Seattle, Wash. POST INTELLIGENCER, 12/24/43

40.

Four readers respond to an editorial in the Boise, Idaho DAILY STATESMAN which condemned the State Grange for its resolution opposing the leasing or selling of land in the U. S. to persons of Japanese ancestry. Two commend the editor for his stand and two disagree. One of the latter points out how American Japanese have "practically ruined many townships in the western states." The fourth asks why, "if the resolution ... is so stupid", no American born Japanese can be drafted into the service, but can stay home to "purchase land that our American boys are fighting to preserve." Idaho DAILY STATESMAN, 12/26/43 41.

Resolutions and Statements

Rev. F. W. Heckleman, Methodist minister and missionary to Japan for 35 years, visits Amache center and rates it in top position along with the Topaz, Utah and the Gila River, Ariz. centers, among the ten relocation projects. Report finds Amache's project director James G. Lindley "responsible to a certain extent" for the center's high rating; gives brief summary of his background. Lamar, Colo. DAILY NEWS, 12/14/43 42.

Dr. K. S. Latourrette, member of the Committee of Direction of the Commission on a Just and Durable Peace of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, writing in the Commission's publication, "Post-War World", warns against a spirit of revenge and retaliation in our dealings with Japan after the war. N. Y. TIMES, 12/15/43 43.

Jean McKay, field secretary of the Northern California Fellowship of Reconciliation, issues statement declaring that "an inaccurate impression" has been given in reports of the FOR in relation to the disturbances at Tule Lake; explains that there are many loyal as well as disloyal elements at the center and that the guidance of interested Caucasians is needed to help "keep the loyal ones from growing bitter toward white Americans and to help change the attitudes of others." S. F. NEWS, 12/20/43 44.

Native Sons of the Golden West to foster a movement for a constitutional amendment to exclude from U. S. citizenship the children of aliens who are not eligible for naturalization, according to disclosure of Wayne Millington, grand president of the order, who adds hope that it will curb the "growing menace" of populating the Pacific Coast with non-assimilable races, particularly Japanese. Oakland, Calif. TRIBUNE, 12/21/43 45.

California State Board of Agriculture adopts a resolution proposed by Professor Paul S. Taylor of the University of California, and member of the board, which declares in effect that Japanese-Americans must not be barred from the agricultural life of California after military authorities have approved their return. Three of the nine members of the board were not present at the time of the vote, two did not vote, and the resolution was passed by a 3-1 majority. S. F. EXAMINER, Sacramento, Cal. UNION, Oakland, Cal. TRIBUNE, 12/21/43 AP, S. F. CHRONICLE, Idaho DAILY STATESMAN, Tucson, Ariz. DAILY CITIZEN, 12/21/43, Arizona DAILY STAR, 12/22/43, INS, Seattle, Wash. POST INTELLIGENCER, 12/26/43 46.-52.(see also 45)

Governor Earl Warren of California criticizes State Agriculture Board for above resolution, says action was taken by "three holdovers on the board taking advantage of a skeletonized meeting." Report points out that the three members who voted for the resolution, Professor Taylor of Berkeley, Mrs. Grace

McDonald of San Jose and Stewart Meigs of Carpenteria, "were all appointed by the previous Olson administration." Sacramento, Cal. UNION, Bakersfield, Cal. CALIFORNIAN, AP, L. A. TIMES, S. F. CHRONICLE, 12/22/43, UP, Yuma, Ariz. SUN & SENTINEL, 12/21/43. 53.-57.

"Warren Stand on Japs Praised" (headline). Eldred L. Meyer, past grand president, Grand Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West, commends California Governor for prompt denunciation of State Board of Agriculture resolution. L. A. EXAMINER, 12/25/43. Directors of the Sacramento county farm bureau federation also authorize letter to Governor Warren praising his stand and opposing reports that Japanese are to be allowed to return from "internment camps" to their former homes in the Florin district. Sacramento, Cal. UNION, 12/29/43. 58.-59.

In a telegram to President Roosevelt and the chairman of the California congressional delegation, the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play expresses its confidence in WRA Director Dillon S. Myer and lists reasons for its backing. S. F. NEWS, UP, Portland OREGONIAN, 12/23/43. 60.-61.

L. F. Buchanan, commander of the Golden Stars Post No. 63 of the American Legion in Mount Vernon, Washington, asserts that control of the Japanese should be taken from "political appointees" and given to the army. The statement was issued in connection with the removal of Takeo Nakashima from a local hospital after two years of effort on the part of local authorities. Bellingham, Wash. HERALD, 12/28/43. 62.

Joseph G. Crew, former Ambassador to Japan, in a speech to the Illinois Education Association, pictures the "folly" of making Japan a permanent outcast, advocates post-war cooperation and re-education, and the building up of a new government around an emperor inclined to peace. N. Y. TIMES, AP, Portland OREGONIAN, 12/30/43. N. Y. TIMES editorial commends Mr. Crew's suggestions for fair treatment of a defeated Japan, but questions the feasibility of condoning Shintoism or the rule of an Emperor "always subject to domination by cliques." N. Y. TIMES, 1/2/43. 63.-65.

Arizona Agricultural Council, a new group organized in a meeting on December 17, plans to consider the "Japanese question" along with other matters at its second meeting to be held on January 21 in Phoenix. ARIZONA FARMER, 1/1/43. 66.

Classroom program in Newark, N. J. schools emphasizing "tolerance and better understanding of other peoples and religions", to begin next semester, according to an announcement by J. S. Herron, Newark Superintendent of Schools. N. Y. TIMES, 1/2/44. 67.

At a communion breakfast of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, Bronx Borough President James J. Lyons assails the "unsavory tactics" of those stirring up religious or racial hatreds. N. Y. TIMES, 1/2/44. 68.

REPORTS

WRA official, Walter N. Parmeter, decides not to recommend the relocation of three Japanese-American families near Hamburg, Iowa because of unfavorable public sentiment in the area. Hamburg citizens' committee had protested the proposed settlement of the three former California truck

gardeners on 612 acres of Missouri land, just south of the Iowa line. Omaha, Nebr. WORLD HERALD, 12/30/43 69.

Amache budget for fiscal year 1944-45 is drawn up at six-day conference of representatives of relocation centers held in Denver, Colo., according to announcement of T. Read Hanson, Amache finance officer. Lamar, Colo. NEWS, 12/21/43 70.

RELOCATED EVACUEES

Des Moines is scene of family reunions as Jackson Takayanagi, ministerial student at Drake University, marries Mary Nakamura; both were former Hollywood, Cal. residents. Des Moines, Iowa REGISTER, 12/27/43 71.

Report finds 20 relocated evacuees "happy" with job of running a chicken farm, sponsored by the Curtiss Candy Co., near Arlington Hts., Ill. Describes visit to the farm and interview with its foreman, Harry Iakino who said "It certainly is nice farming land around here", and later added "I don't think many of us will return to California. We like the Middle West and its hospitality." Chicago, Ill. NEWS, 12/28/43. Four pictures of some of the group of 20 evacuees show them at their work and hobbies. Chicago NEWS, 12/29/43 72.-73.

REPATRIATION

Amache center to be visited by a Spanish consul who will report to the Japanese government on the treatment received by Japanese nationals; will be accompanied by H. M. Benninghoff of the U. S. State Dept. and Miss Augusta Wagner, former prisoner of the Japanese at Weishien, China. Lamar, Colo. DAILY NEWS, 12/23/43, Pueblo, Colo. CHIEFTAIN, 12/26/43 and AP, Denver, Colo. POST, 12/24/43 74.-76.

AP, UP and scattered reports say Spanish investigation of the relocation centers has revealed a "very satisfactory" situation. Official report to Tokyo, it is hoped, will stimulate renewed negotiations for future exchanges of nationals. The S. F. EXAMINER reveals that the report credited the Army "with giving the same 'favorable' treatment to the Japanese at Tule Lake as the 'RA....but it was said Army control was firmer." Chicago HERALD & AMERICAN N. Y. JOURNAL & AMERICAN, 12/29/43, N. Y. DAILY MIRROR, Wash. D. C. TIMES HERALD, 12/30/43, AP, Phoenix. Ariz. GAZETTE, 12/29/43, Arkansas GAZETTE, N. Y. HERALD TRIBUNE, 12/30/43, UP, Wash. D. C. NEWS, 12/29/43 L. A. TIMES, N. Y. TIMES, Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES NEWS, 12/30/43 77.-87

Miss Adleine Gray, "teacher, lecturer and correspondent", visiting in Boise, Idaho, tells of her eight years spent in China and her escape from Japanese-held Shanghai. Returns to America March 1943. Idaho DAILY STATESMAN; 12/30/43 88.

MILITARY SERVICE

Report of five Nisei girls now in training with the MACs at Fort Des Moines, Iowa finds them eager to show their devotion to their country; says three have brothers in the army and one has a cousin in the service. Des Moines, Iowa REGISTER, 12/23/43. A picture of the five girls is carried in three other papers. Seattle, Wash. TIMES, Minneapolis, Minn. STAR JOURNAL, Portland, Oreg. OREGONIAN, 12/24/43 89.-92.

ADMINISTRATION

Jack Curtiss, acting Amache project attorney during the absence of Donald Horn, returns to Rohwer, Ark. Lamar, Colo. NEWS, 12/22/43 93.

Lt. (jg) Paul.J. Terry, former superintendent of education at Amache, visits center for a few hours after graduation from the Navy Basic Training school at the University of Arizona; is on way to special assignment at an undisclosed location. Lamar, Colo. NEWS, 12/22/43 94.

Dean W. Miller, former Idaho state administrator of WPA, succeeds Philip Schafer as assistant project director of the Minidoka center. Mr. Schafer and Marlow Glenn, fiscal accountant at Minidoka, have been commissioned captains in the Military Government branch of the U. S. Army. Jerome, Idaho NORTH SIDE NEWS, 12/23/43 95.

AGRICULTURE

Ernest Tigges, assistant farm superintendent at the Amache center, announces the purchase of nine hundred sacks of potato seeds for early and mid-season planting. Lamar, Colo. NEWS, 12/23/43 96.

County Agent C. W. Daigh reports that Mexican and Japanese laborers imported by the Minidoka County Labor Sponsoring Association assisted in the harvest of 5507 acres of crops during the past season. Salt Lake, Utah TRIBUNE, 12/24/43 97.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Amache high school basketball team wins over two local teams; is scheduled to play the Granada Bobcats, and will make barnstorming tour in the Denver area during the Christmas holidays. Lamar, Colo. NEWS, 12/18, 23,29/43 98.-101.

Evacuees and WRA staff members of the Minidoka center contribute a total of \$2,011.53 to national war fund drive according to the report of chairman S. Hara. Of this amount \$1759.80 is given to the Jerome county chairman and \$251.73 to the Hunt USO. Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES NEWS, 12/25/43, AP, Idaho DAILY STATESMAN, 12/26/43, Salt Lake City, Utah TRIBUNE, 12/26,28/43 102.-105

Minidoka evacuees plan "typical American Christmas" with church services and carols; decorate block dining halls with trees and gifts. Many gifts are sent from all over the nation, chiefly from religious groups and former residents of the center. Jerome, Idaho NORTH SIDE NEWS, 12/23,25/43, Salt Lake TRIBUNE, 12/24/43, Idaho DAILY STATESMAN, 12/25/43 Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES NEWS 12/25/43 106.-109.

EVACUEE PROPERTY

San Francisco Housing Authority votes recommendation of two sites for the construction of temporary facilities to house evictees from the "Japtown" area; also recommends the lease or purchase of vacant lots in the "Japtown" area for the erection of 100 additional dwelling units. Carrol Newberg of the Council of Civic Clubs predicts protests of property owners against attempts to build west of the present "Japtown" section. S. F. CHRONICLE, 12/23/43 110.

LEGAL

California State Personnel Board decides by a 4-1 vote to hold post-war hearings on the cases of 82 Japanese, formerly employed by the State of California, who want their civil service rights preserved and their state salaries paid from May 1 to November 30, 1943, although they were living in relocation centers at the time. S. F. CALL BULLETIN, 12/29/43 111.

Sentence in case of alien Japanese fishing fleet owner, charged with trading with the enemy, is delayed five weeks to permit the attendance in court of a representative of the Spanish government in accordance with the rules of the Geneva Convention. Defense claims payment for 800 tins of fish livers shipped from Japan was made prior to the war freezing order and that the order became effective while the livers were enroute. L. A. TIMES, 12/29/43 112.

"Nisei Thumbs Way to Prison" (headline). Heart Mountain project paper reveals that Gordon Kiyoshi Hirabayashi who received a 3-month prison sentence (upheld by the U. S. supreme court last June) for violating curfew regulations, objected to being committed to a Spokane County jail and was given permission to go to a conscientious objectors' camp near Tucson, Ariz. with the understanding that he would provide his own transportation; hitch-hiked the 1,600 miles from Spokane to Tucson; has now served his 3-month sentence. Story is confirmed by Seattle attorney Frank L. Waters. Seattle, Wash. POST INTELLIGENCER, 12/29/43 113.

MISCELLANEOUS

Article describes hospital program at the Amache center under Chief Medical Officer William T. Carstarphen and his staff of five evacuee doctors. Finds an average of 60 patients are hospitalized daily, 1,900 treated but not hospitalized each month, and 1,100 patients have been admitted since the opening of the hospital in Sept. 1942. Comments on previously reported birth of 11 babies in one night. Lamar, Colo. DAILY NEWS, 12/20/43, Pueblo, Colo. CHIEFTAIN, 12/26/43 114.-115.

Union paper carries picture of several members of the United Federal Workers Union, Local 203, representing the Caucasian, Negro and Japanese races, united to donate blood to the Red Cross at its Wash. D. C. headquarters CIO NEWS, 12/20/43 116.

President signs bill repealing the 60-year-old Chinese exclusion laws; states "An unfortunate barrier between allies has been removed." Law makes all Chinese living in this country eligible for naturalization and permits 105 Chinese to enter the U. S. annually on a quota basis. Arizona DAILY STAR, 12/22/43 117.

IRA officials estimate that about \$25,000 worth of property belonging to evacuees and Caucasian employees is lost when six barracks serving as warehouses at the Colorado River center are destroyed by fire. Believe fire started from kerosene stove used to heat one of the buildings. Value of buildings is estimated to be \$13,500. AP, Phoenix, Ariz. GAZETTE, Phoenix, Ariz. REPUBLIC, 12/27/43 118.-119.

"Exiled Scholars Aid Library of Congress" (headline); answer wide variety of questions about foreign countries from Congressman, government

agencies and the public. Philip Han, a Korean who studied in Japan, is assisted by an American girl of Japanese descent who was educated in Japan.
N. Y. TIMES, 12/31/43 120.

Children of supervisors at the Topaz center may be included in Millard county census if the parents are bona fide residents of the state and county, according to the ruling of Attorney General Grover A. Giles who previously ruled that evacuee children in the center were wards of the government and could not be included in the census. Salt Lake TRIBUNE, 12/31/43
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MAGAZINES

California Monthly: Dec. 1943: "Beyond the Horizon", by Yori Wada.

Yori Wada, young Japanese-American member of the 442nd combat team at Camp Shelby, Miss., relates his experiences since his graduation in 1940 from the University of California; tells of his induction into the U. S. Army and his feelings after hearing the news of Pearl Harbor and of the evacuation of his family from their home on the West Coast. Thanks those "courageous" and "fairminded" Americans whose support has "let us know that our faith in this American democracy has not been in vain."

The Idaho Journal of Education: Dec. 1943: "Education for Future Victory", by Richard A. Pomeroy, Superintendent, Hunt.

Article points out the significance of the school, especially the Project school, as an "integral, dynamic part of the social unit in which it finds itself." Explains the two-fold purpose of the Minidoka educators and staff members, in general is to acquaint the public with the true status of the evacuees, and to give the evacuees a renewed confidence and faith in the democratic American way of life.

The Christian Century: Dec. 22 1943: "Crist from the Gripsholm", by Winburn T. Thomas.

Missionaries recently repatriated from China, Japan and the Philippines report that the Christian movement in the Far East is gaining strength and unity despite the problems of the war. Article gives some of the instances of kindness and consideration shown the missionaries by Japanese Christians, including some officials.

"News of the Christian World"

Correspondent visits Arico center; finds "the administration well disposed toward its charges", writes sympathetically of the problems of the evacuees noting that "family life is breaking down in the centers."

Creedley and Brighton, Colo. Chambers of Commerce act to limit the number of Japanese-Americans being relocated in their areas.

Federal Council of Churches releases its annual race relations message urging Christians to oppose all "policies and practices of racial discrimination." (see Review 12/29/43)

Report finds reactions to relocated Nisei varying in different sections of Iowa; says Friends Service Committee in Des Moines "is doing a fine piece of work" with its hostel under the direction of Ross T. Wilbur, and finds Nisei high school principal in the village of Galt very satisfactory to the townspeople. Adds that "on the other hand, at Hamburg, in the southwestern part of the state, some 2,500 farmers met...to protest the renting of a tract of 612 acres for a resettlement project." (See REPORTS)

The Christian Century: Jan. 5, 1944: "Correspondence"

Contributor feels that now the Chinese exclusion laws have been repealed it would be a good idea to repeal similar laws against other Asiatics, including the Japanese. Quotes Abraham Lincoln's statement to the effect that "the best way to get rid of enemies is to make them your friends."

"News of the Christian World"

Mark A. Dawber, executive secretary of the Home Missions Council, urges President Roosevelt to ignore attempts of various political groups to secure the dismissal of WRA Director Iyer; states "We give our unqualified endorsement to the leadership and program of the WRA."

Correspondent finds the work record of the 750 evacuees now relocated in Cleveland, Ohio is "excellent." Hopes laughter evoked by Prof. Dakan's "bathtub" article "will continue to offset political repercussions in Congress." Deplores fact that "the life of the paper was snuffed out with one issue."

Report notes that of the 17,000,000 contributed to the National War Fund by New York City, \$732,505 was given by citizens representing 25 separate national origins and 3,500 of that amount was given by "the small group of Japanese-Americans."

Indac: December 1943

A photograph shows Dillon S. Myer, WRA director, in Indianapolis for the executive meeting of the American Legion. Caption erroneously states he is "in charge of the five Japanese internment camps in this country."

Saturday Review of Literature: December 18, 1943: "Washday in Washington"

The bathtub issue is satirized by David Cohn in an article describing the statements of Representatives Luce, Crawford, Hoffman, Wheeler, Dingell and Ramey as to bathing, soaps, the Japanese, dictatorship, Jergen's lotion, and other subjects suggested by the statement that Japanese farmers might teach mid-western farmers cleanliness.

PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED REPORTS

Japan stops repatriation over Tule Lake trouble; requests Spanish representatives to investigate centers.

Sacramento, Calif. UNION, 12/14/43

Seattle, Wash. TIMES 12/13/43

Spanish consul at Tule Lake
S. F. NEWS, 12/14/43

Internment centers being investigated as Japan halts exchange of internees.
N. Y. TIMES, 12/19/43

R. B. Cozzens blames "agitators of race hatred" for Japan's ban on repatriation
S. F. NEWS, 12/16/43

Representative Engle of California denies Cozzens claim
Phoenix, Ariz. ARIZONA DAILY STAR, 12/26/43
Seattle, Wash. POST INTELLIGENCER, 12/25/43

Representative Engle urges the people of the West Coast to intensify their
drive for reform of WRA
S. F. EXAMINER, 12/14/43

Representative Engle urges the Democratic Party to speed a cleanup of WRA
S. F. EXAMINER, 12/25/43

California State Senate committee wires Roosevelt protesting against the
return of evacuees from the coast.
N. Y. TIMES, 12/12/43
Seattle, Wash. SEATTLE TIMES, 12/13/43

Lieut. Gen. D. C. Emmons says the coastal ban on Japanese racials stands.
Boston, Mass., CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, 12/14/43

Powell, Wyoming and Heart Mountain again at odds over the presence of evacuees
in Powell.
Sheridan, Wyoming PRESS, 12/21/43

Best, Tule Lake Director, tells Dies sub-committee of Tule Lake disturbance.
Phoenix, Ariz. ARIZONA REPUBLIC, 12/21/43
Phoenix, Ariz. ARIZONA DAILY STAR, 12/21/43
Twin Falls, Idaho TIMES-NEWS, 12/21/43

Representative Costello says that Best's testimony shows that WRA cannot control
the Japanese at Tule Lake.
Phoenix, Ariz. PHOENIX GAZETTE 12/21/43
Denver, Colo. POST 12/21/43

Tule Lake Japanese armed with knives and swords save Costello subcommittee
following Best testimony.
S. F. EXAMINER, 12/21/43

Bill to deprive American-born Japanese swearing allegiance to Japan of citizen-
ship introduced by Sens. McFarland and Stewart.
Phoenix, Ariz. ARIZONA DAILY STAR, 12/22/43
Arizona TUCSON DAILY CITIZEN, 12/18/43
Arizona PRESCOTT COURIER, 12/18/43

Photograph shows Japanese-American soldiers in Italy at mail call.
Portland OREGONIAN, 12/22/43

Navy 12-month language school in Japanese will influence future language
courses.
Boulder, Colo. BOULDER DAILY CAMERA, 12/23/43
Boston, Mass. CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, 12/14/43

Three Japanese charged with introducing sake into the Poston Relocation Camp.
Phoenix, Ariz. ARIZONA REPUBLIC, 12/15/43

Tri-state committee of congressional delegates, led by Representative Sheppard
of California, decides on an active policy to speed control of the Japanese.
S. F. EXAMINER, 12/15/43

Editorial points out that the Tule Lake Japanese are not typical Japanese-
Americans

Waterville, Maine SENTINEL, 12/17/43

Testimony of Dillon S. Myer contradicted by Tule Lake employees.

S. F. EXAMINER, 12/20/43

L. A. EXAMINER, 12/20/43

State Department orders Army rule relaxed at Tule Lake

S. F. CHRONICLE, 12/19/43

Army refuses to issue a statement on reported relaxation of rules at Tule Lake,
Baltimore, Md. AMERICAN, 12/19/43

Peterson states that release of loyal Japanese-Americans will be greatly
speeded up in the spring.

Phoenix, Ariz. PHOENIX GAZETTE, 12/21/43

Phoenix, Ariz. BISBEE REVIEW, 12/21/43

Phoenix, Ariz. ARIZONA DAILY STAR, 12/22/43

Portland, Oregon OREGONIAN, 12/22/43

General Mark Clark promotes two Japanese-Americans fighting in Italy and
commands the unit to which the two belong.

Seattle, Wash. POST INTELLIGENCER, 12/27/43

Japanese counterfeiter at Leupp Relocation Camp sentenced to six months in
jail.

Arizona INSLOW MAIL, 12/24/43

