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INFORMATION ROUNDUP

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San Francisco Regional Office

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PHOENIX PROTESTS
MILK FOR GILA

A shortage of Grade A milk in Phoenix and the Salt River Valley has caused the Mayor of Phoenix to register a protest to WRA on the "allocation of 850 gallons" per day to Gila River Relocation Center.

The Mayor says: "This fluid Grade A quality is taken from the depleted central Arizona milkshed which already suffers severe loss by reason of labor shortage. Army Quartermaster Corps action in draining the milk from Phoenix and vicinity is one cause of serious milk shortage of 4000 gallons per day, jeopardizing the health of convalescent children and general public."

A report from the chief steward at the Gila River project reveals that the center receives only 616 gallons a day including that for the administration mess. The requirements for the camps are 1166 gallons.

STAFF MEETING

Director Myer held a staff meeting in the regional office on October 13, at which he outlined the general WRA policy on permanent relocation of evacuees. Mr. Myer left San Francisco last night for Minidoka. From there he plans to stop in Denver before returning to Washington.

OPINIONS RENDERED
ON PHOTO CENSORSHIP

In opinions No. 24 and No. 26, the solicitor states the limitations of military censorship of photographs taken at relocation centers. In the first opinion, which applies to WRA photographers and evacuees, official photographs (1) must be submitted for censorship only in cases where such photorgaphs represent "secret," "confidential," or "restricted" equipment; and (2) are in no case prohibited by Public Law 627, which does not confer any censorship authority, but rather prohibits certain

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kinds of photographs. (3) Evacuees on projects within the Western Defense Command may not be permitted to take photographs or to have cameras in their possession.

Opinion No. 26 concerns photographs taken by photographers privately employed by newspapers or other publications. Such photographs are also subject to military censorship if they are of "secret," "confidential," or "restricted" equipment. In addition, where they show the operation of plants at centers manufacturing equipment for the Army or Navy, those taken without the permission of the Army or Navy are prohibited. Other types of pictures are neither prohibited nor subject to censorship.

FIRE DEPARTMENTS
SUFFER FROM FURLOUGHS

Serious inroads into the fire department personnel at projects have been made wherever workers have been leaving for the harvest fields. The problem is acute in that considerable training of evacuee firemen is necessary to build up an efficient fire department. With millions of dollars worth of government property to be protected and thousands of lives, the question of providing adequate fire protection under these conditions is being given serious attention.

One firehouse has been closed at Minidoka, and evacuee women will run that company.

SANTA ANITA TO
BE CLEARED SOON

Santa Anita Assembly Center will be cleared by October 27. A change in Transfer Order No. 26, which originally was to cover a movement of 2200 evacuees from Santa Anita to Gila River, provides instead for 1050 of the group to be moved to the relocation center. Half will go on October 17 and the remainder on the 18th. Four hundred will be transferred to Jerome instead of Gila River under a change in Order No. 24. This group will leave on October 19. In addition to the 1050, Gila River will receive 250 of the Santa Anita clean-up crew, which will leave on October 26. The remaining 250 will leave for Jerome on the following day. Both movements are covered by Order No. 28.

Transfer Order No. 27 provides for the movement of 200 evacuees from Stockton Assembly Center and 150 from Fresno, all of whom will be sent to Gila River. These persons are members of families of tuberculars.

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Total project population in this region has dropped since last weekend from 67,632 to 67,409, with Minidoka showing a loss of 106 and Central Utah, 140. Census figures are: Manzanar, 9031; Minidoka, 7629; Central Utah, 7546; Tule Lake, 14,543; Gila River, 11,569; and Colorado River, 17,073. Reports from other projects are: Jerome, 1169; Rohwer, 6368; and Heart Mountain, 9757. No recent census figures have been received from Granada.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
KILLED IN CRASH

Marshall Miller, principal of the elementary school at Manzanar was killed last Friday afternoon in a plane crash at the Bishop Airport. Also killed was Jim Brennan, flying instructor at the Manzanar airport. An amateur flying enthusiast, Miller had gone with Brennan to Bishop on business. The plane crashed in a flat spin as it prepared to take off from the airport, and both men were killed instantly. It was not determined who piloted the plane.

STUDENTS HELP
HARVEST CROPS

Six hundred high-school students with teachers and assistants one day last week helped harvest the Tule Lake crops. Every available truck and car made several trips to take workers to the farm. By the end of the day six carloads of potatoes were packed and one carload of beets.

SCHOOL RESOURCES
DENIED EVACUEES

School officials in Arizona and Oregon this week refused assistance to WRA in certain phases of the education program for evacuees.

In an Associated Press dispatch, President Alfred Atkinson of the University of Arizona was reported as refusing to provide extension courses, library books, and faculty lectures for evacuees. "We are at war, and these people are our enemies.....It is fine to be idealistic and helpful during times of peace, but these people stabbed us in the back while their representatives were negotiating for peace in Washington. They killed two or three thousand of our men at Pearl Harbor. This is total war."

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A request by WRA that 12 or 15 Japanese students be permitted to attend the Oregon State School for the Deaf was denied by the State Board of Control, according to the Oregonian for October 8. The Board declared that it had no authority to admit the evacuees, since they had not been enrolled in the school before evacuation from Oregon. "This is not time to admit Japanese children to the Oregon Deaf School," said Marvin Clatterbuck, school superintendent. He believed that white children would resent such action.

