

# FOOD WASTE AT JAP CAMP TOLD

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MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 2.—(UP)—Japanese evacuees at the Jerome relocation center in Arkansas have turned the camp into a nest of sabotage and unrest, The Commercial Appeal, Memphis newspaper, reported tonight.

Careless and deliberate waste of food, slow-down strikes, refusal to work and threats against government workers constructing buildings at the center were reported by the newspaper in an expose of conditions described as "a nightmare of confusion."

Paul Taylor, project manager of the center, was reported saying he would begin an investigation of the reported sabotage of food supplies after hearing that Japanese-American cooks were wasteful of food, throwing away much that was edible. An inspection of garbage, the newspaper said, revealed partly filled sacks of good potatoes, and quantities of oranges and other fruit in good condition.

Three truckloads of Japanese men were said to have cornered H. H. Hobbs, assistant area engineer, United States Engineers, and his foreman, threatening to kill them.

Lumber to be unloaded and piled was found dumped into drainage ditches, it was said, and evacuees were said to have refused to handle coal used to cook their own food because they "do not like to handle coal."

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