

Three Kinds of Japanese

WHETHER evacuation was just or unjust to Japanese residents of the Pacific Coast area was recently debated in a local forum. No decision was rendered as to which side won the debate.

The topic is one of continuing discussion; but personal opinions remain at variance. In any case there is nothing anyone can do save talk about it, unless and until the government, through some of its qualified agencies, sees fit to act.

Senator Mon Wallgren, chairman of a Senate subcommittee on military affairs, announces an early investigation of Japanese relocation centers. Events have disclosed the congregation in some centers of three distinct classes—Japanese who are openly loyal to Tokyo; Japanese of the American-born Nisei, who are as vigorously assertive of their loyalty to the United States, and Japanese who are silent and submissive.

It isn't a good thing to keep the three classes herded together at any center. What should be done with the Nisei and the submissives may well await the committee's investigation. Those who rejoice over Pearl Harbor and hope for Japanese victory in war, should be promptly segregated, sent to prison camps, and treated according to their deserts.

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