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## WORK OFFERED IN SUGAR BEET FIELDS

### Volunteers To Receive Standard Wages for Labor During Harvest

Opportunity to work in the sugar beet fields of Montana at standard wages is being offered residents of Santa Anita assembly center, it was announced today by W. J. O'Bryant, representative of the Utah-Idaho Sugar company.

The work will be sugar beet harvesting in the Chinook, Mont., lasting from Sept. 23 to about the middle of November.

Persons interested in this type of work should go to 21-1 Gillie avenue where offices were opened this morning.

J. S. Miller of the United States Employment service is conducting the interviews assisted by Ben Yoshioka. Office hours are between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. daily.

According to O'Bryant, prevailing wages will be paid workers as well as transportation fares to Montana and back to the relocation projects where they are scheduled to go. Workers will live on the farms and pay for their own keep.

It was emphasized by O'Bryant that persons who have already received their notices to leave for relocation projects are not eligible for such employment.

The plan has been approved by the Montana state governor and county officials concerned, with full protection being promised, it was stated.

The Utah-Idaho Sugar company is acting as agent for the individual farmers in the Chinook factory district in obtaining workers from this Center.

## MORE LEAVE TOMORROW

The vanguard of Santa Anita residents headed for Granada, Colo., 520 strong, will leave the Center tomorrow morning by train from the departure area.

Leaving at about 8:30 a.m., tomorrow morning's group will be the first of six contingents from Santa Anita to go to the Colorado relocation project. Saturday another contingent of 520 is scheduled to leave.

Then the first Santa Anitans going to Rohwer, Ark., will depart Sunday morning.

The Granada and Rohwer movements will alternate between Sept. 19 and Sept. 28, 10 consecutive days of departures.

Approximately 3000 are expected to be relocated to Granada. They originally came from western Los Angeles.

Numbering about 4500, those set to go to Rohwer were formerly from stations in Downey, Lawndale and southeastern Los Angeles.

Santa Anitans will join residents from the Merced assembly center at the Granada relocation project while those going to Rohwer will be preceded by an advance crew from the Stockton assembly center.

The remainder of Stockton center's population will be relocated to Rohwer beginning Oct. 3

### Issue Clothing

## Delayed Here

Issue clothing will not be delivered before Sept. 25, Everett G. Chapman, director of the Service division said today.

All orders for clothing have been sent to Sears, Roebuck and Co. and when received will be distributed to those having made applications.

### Towle Asks for Volunteers

Volunteers to assist in the clean-up of the Center were requested today by William R. Towle, Works division superintendent.

Applicants will be put on work orders as soon as they report at the Utility office, Towle said.

Because of relocation workers have been scarce.

## LACK OF MESS WORKERS DISCLOSED

An acute shortage of mess hall workers may necessitate the use of cafeteria style serving in all mess halls, said Director Edward M. Paulsen today.

"The Mess division is badly in need of help of all kind in order to feed the people living in the Center at present," declared Paulsen.

While trying to maintain

an adequate menu, it is impossible to prepare the food with insufficient help, it was pointed out.

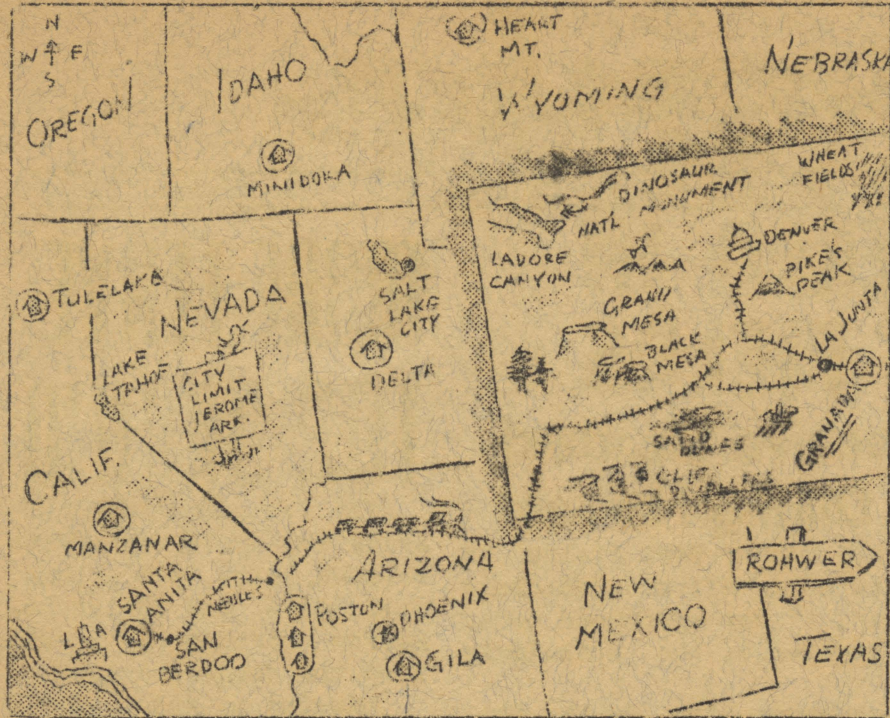
"We regret that we were forced to start the cafeteria style of feeding in the Orange mess. This was caused by a shortage of waitresses and mess hall help. Unless residents are willing to help in the mess halls, it may be necessary

to start cafeteria style serving again in all mess halls," said Paulsen.

"This was tried the first months and was found unsatisfactory and will be used only as a last resort if volunteer help is not forthcoming," he added.

Residents wishing to apply for mess hall positions may do so at mess halls or at the Personnel office.

# WHERE THEY ARE GOING



## Three To Leave For Colleges

Two colleges in Missouri and one in Texas will be the destinations of three Center students who will leave Santa Anita tonight, disclosed Donald D. McCready, executive assistant.

James Shigeo Sasaki, of 29-3 Fairy Hill avenue, will attend William Jewel college, Liberty, Mo.

Paul Ken Fujioka, of 29-2 Fairy Hill avenue, will go to Washington university, St. Louis, Mo.

Both former students of the University of Southern California, Sasaki was enrolled in the College of Dentistry while Fujioka was taking pre dental work.

Leaving at the same time tonight will be William Etsuo Yamaguchi who will head for the University of Texas, Austin, Tex. He lived at 18-1 Whirlaway avenue.

Another Trojan student, Yasuo Yoshino, left Saturday for Drake university, Des Moines, Ia. A pharmacy major, he lived at 29-2 Fairy Hill avenue.

Two other Santa Anita residents who also left for colleges Saturday were Helen Matsunaga who will attend Rockford college, Rockford, Ill., and Ryo Munkata who will enroll at the University of Denver, Denver, Colo.

## EVACUEES IN ARIZONA TO HARVEST COTTON

Evacuees now residing at the two Arizona relocation centers will be given an opportunity to work in the war effort by assisting in the harvesting of the state's vital long staple cotton crop, according to information received this week.

The War department has directed that as a matter of military necessity evacuees at the Colorado river relocation center near Parker and the Gila river relocation center near Sacaton, both in Arizona, may volunteer for work in harvesting the long staple cotton crop in Maricopa and Pinal counties, Ariz.

The cotton is an extremely important military material, used in the manufacture of parachutes, gliders, balloons and other war implements.

Details have been worked out by the War Relocation Authority, which will be responsible for seeing to it that the volunteers are paid the prevailing wage for comparative work in the area in which they are employed, and also responsible for maintaining good housing and sanitation conditions.

The WRA has already conducted negotiations with prospective employers, and many residents of the two Arizona centers are happy over the opportunity to earn additional money and to participate in the war effort.

The Army will maintain supervision and liaison with the WRA throughout the program.

### Former Resident Hurt at Poston

Rumors to the effect that Jack Kiyoshi Ota was stealing meat when he was stabbed at Poston, Ariz., were denied here by his brother today.

Ota, a former sectional representative at Santa Anita, was recently transferred to Poston's Camp 3.

Ota sustained the injury when he attempted to halt a fight between two men, it was asserted.

### VITAL STATISTICS

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoichiro Katahira, a girl, Sept. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyohachi Aoki, a girl, Sept. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Shimazaki, a boy, Sept. 13.

#### DEATHS

Chutaro Hanada, 72, Sept. 13.

May Miyahara, 17, Sept. 13.

### CHILD WELFARE CLINIC CLOSED

The Child Welfare Clinic has been discontinued, it was revealed today by the Public Health department. Those with Friday appointments are asked not to come.

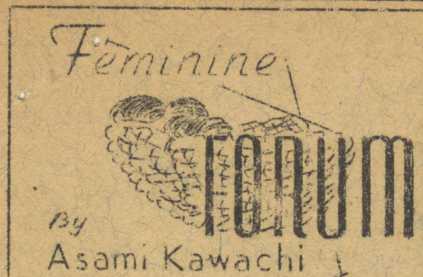
### Proper Use Of Wood Advised

That residents should use discretion in the securing and use of lumber for crating was reiterated today by William R. Towle, Works division superintendent.

Towle repeated that an adequate supply of wood would be available for those leaving in later movements and advised them not to obtain their lumber until a few days prior to their departure dates.

### CHILDREN TO GET DIPHTHERIA SHOTS

Any child who has not completed his second and third diphtheria shots is to report to the Immunization clinic between 8 and 10 a.m. tomorrow.



We liked the trumpet solo from Car 7 as the last of the swell San Jose people left on Sunday. It was also nice to see the District VII postal clerks out at the departure area early in the morning to say goodbye to their "customers."

We're hesitant about offering advice as we failed to demonstrate our theories when Helen Matsunaga was packing and preparing to leave for Rockford College. Helen's wardrobe included two heavy sweaters, one red and the other blue, which she made herself... also a pair of navy blue mittens.

It seems we can't stop offering advice. This time it is about packing records. S. Takato says that they will be pretty safe if packed between pieces of cardboard larger than the records before they are crated. (Lil Neebo interrupts with the suggestion that they be wrapped in a quilt as well.)

The records should be removed as soon as possible to prevent warping.

The grooves in records are kept in their original perfections if fingers do not come in contact with the surface and if good needles are used, Takato adds.

Fragment of winter notes... a doll made from leftover yarn brightens a plain wool dress. The dress may be last year's. The doll's hair can be made of black thread or brown yarn; the arms and legs can be gathered by twisting a thread around a bunch of yarn.

Among the things we miss nowadays is folk dancing... which provides plenty of exercise, variety in partners and carefree spirit.

Folk dancing, crude furniture, rag rugs in units remind us of early American modes.

## Final Revue Set for Tomorrow

A final revue of talent and community sing will be presented tomorrow evening, declared John Ty Saito, director of community activities.

The event will be held in the Recreation hall or on the stage outside, said Saito, and will honor the residents who are going to Granada, Colo., and Rohwer, Ark.

Skits from girls' clubs, boys' clubs and Boy Scouts are on the tentative program. Vocal, tap and specialty numbers will be presented for the last time, Saito said.

## DANCE HONORS DEPARTEES

No requests made after Friday morning will be played at Saturday's dance honoring former residents of the Lawndale-Downey area according to John Ty Saito, director.

Special farewell requests are now being taken in front of the Blue mess.

Nearly 300 requests for 40 records were played at last week's dance. Records of Jimmy Hirashiki, George and Frank Yoshida and Roy Sugino were played.

## Catholic

An announcement that 55 priests, 6 brothers and 31 sisters have returned from the Orient and that some will accompany residents to relocation centers was made by Father John Swift at the Catholic service in the Recreation hall Sunday.

Father Swift conducted mass and communion. His text was taken from the 14th chapter of St. Luke.

## Buddhist

The Rev. Zaishin Mukushima delivered the sermon to issei Buddhists Sunday afternoon in the Grandstand. The Rev. Hiroaki Taira spoke for the first time.

"Faith in Buddhism" was the sermon topic of the Rev. Julius Goldwater as he addressed the young people in the morning. The Revs. Mukushima and Taira told stories for the children. Chairman was George Kuratomi.

## Protestant

"The Light of the World" was the topic of the Rev. Yuzuru Yamaka who spoke at the issei Federated Protestant service Sunday in the Grandstand. The Rev. Kiyoshi T. Shiraishi was chairman.

The Rev. John Yamazaki, recovered from his recent illness, gave a farewell message to the members of the congregation who are leaving this week. Among those who will go is the Rev. J. K. Fukushima.

The Rev. T. Franklyn Hudson, assistant secretary of the Southern California Presbyterian Synod, spoke at the nisei service. His topic was "The People's Book."

Yutaka D. Nakagawa presided.

## Adventist

Elder H. Bairg of the Southern California conference was the guest speaker at the combined issei and nisei Seventh Day Adventist service Saturday afternoon in the Grandstand. His topic was "God's Standards for Citizens of Heaven." Robert Ishikawa was chairman.

## Holiness

Adults, young people and Sunday school children of the Holiness association joined in a baptismal service Sunday in the Recreation hall. The Rev. Akira Kuroda officiated.

Those baptized were Toshiko Horiuchi, Betty and Irene Wakamatsu, Evelyn Miyamoto, Yoshimi Osugi, Mary and Grace Ige and Mrs. S. Tanaka.

The Rev. Chiaki Kuzuhara presented a pictorial sermon "Ye Are the Salt of the Earth" to the adults. The speaker at the young people's service was the Rev. Rollin Cochrane, pastor of the Redlands Free Methodist church. He spoke on "Life and Eternal Life" and sang "He Will Hide Me" and "O, the Wonderful Love of God" with his own accordian accompaniment.

George Takaya was chairman.

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● we receive

## a LETTER from bill hatanaka

We are entering the state of Utah (went through Nevada last night), and so far the scenery has been nothing but rolling hills and sage brushes.

We are ambling along the hills now. The hills are slowly turning into mountains shaded by billowy cumulus clouds. The chugging of the locomotive reverberates against the banks and the hills are littered with odd looking trees that give the countryside an orchard-like effect. There are some wheat fields visible now but soon more sagebrush appear.

Civilization again becomes evident as we see the Great Salt Lake far off to the left and its dark blue waters contrast with the surroundings of green and light-brown checked fields of vegetation. The white salt beds resemble snow and sailboats pitch lazily along Black Rock.

Reached Salt Lake City RR station in the afternoon and rested there until we added another diner and car. Went to eat in the new air-conditioned diner.

Now entering the Wasatch mountains. The air is getting cooler and more refreshing. We are steadily climbing and there are series of undulating mountains all around. The sun has just set behind them and reflect a beautiful red glow on the clouds overhead. The staccato chugging of the locomotive breaks the serenity of the quiet mountains.

A small boy sitting in front of me quietly observes the passing scenery with mouth agape in wonderment. The brilliant red sky has turned to dismal gray, the beautiful scenery into ominous solitude with the coming of night. . . . .

Woke to find myself in Colorado. The passing scene is beautiful with green meadows and trees and the Colorado river is now running alongside.

Passing Glenwood Springs, a beautiful mountain resort reminiscent of a Swiss village. The exquisitely colored rock formations, the greenery, the river and sunlight, all blended with the sheer canyon wall laminated in many colors. Conifer trees embellish the seeming vertical rock cliffs on both sides.

The sunlight glints on the cliff side and the crevices are shadowed. Gigantic boulders teeter on the ledges and below is the scenic highway which runs along the river. . . . .

Into the Grand Canyon again. The Rockies are a series of alternate exaggerated sheer rock formations and prosaic hills and meadows. There are occasional farms of wheat, corn and alfalfa.

We are nearing the mouth of the Moffat tunnel, a six-mile tunnel that goes thru

the mountain. The tunnel is about 10,000 feet above sea level. The arch-like portal of the tunnel is now visible and we enter it.

All our windows are closed as we have received previous instructions but our car is already getting smoky. Two minutes and I cannot see halfway across the car. The air is getting suffling and sultry. It is harder to breathe now and people are coughing and small children are crying. Five minutes and it is getting worse. Eight minutes -- the foul air is getting warm and it seems though we have been in here an hour. Twelve minutes and the train is slowing down. At last we are out into the good, clean, fresh air again after 15 minutes in the tunnel.

We are going down gradually as we now have passed the highest point of the Rockies. Many of us now see the land east of the Rockies for the first time as we brush past rock ledges and canyon brinks. Miles and miles of flat land ahead spotted with many small lakes and ponds at the foot of the mountain.

As we come closer to Denver we see many small truck-garden farms on both sides of us. When we got to Denver the monitors bought candies, magazines, chewing gums, postcards and other things for us.

Woke up early Tuesday morning to find myself surrounded by desolate looking hills sparsely covered with sagebrush. We had left Cheyenne late last night.

The morning is very cold on the train and as we pass by some alkali spots, a boy yelled out, "Look! Snow!"

Stopped at Greybull at noon in the Big Horn Basin. Were allowed to get off to stretch. The town people were very friendly and chatted with us.

An elderly gentleman said, "I'm sure you'll like it here. This country grows on a person. The place where you are all going is located in this same basin."

Cody is about 70 miles away and we are passing through a green meadow fringed by green trees and beyond are eroded light brown and red hills. In the river bed are islands studded with trees damaged by high water.

Granite rocks revealing their stratas and faults overhang the dirty brown river below. Corrugated ridges ahead reveal different stratas with rainbow colors. There is a range of mountains to our right in the distance with crevices showing red stones through the erosion like blood from a wound.

It is getting hilly again and more unusual geological formations are becoming frequent. Some rock formations resembling gigantic mushrooms and another perforated rock hill like an enormous sea-shell cluster loom up in the distance.

Heart Mountain is visible now and the people are all tired but their morale is high. A young fellow yells out, "It won't be long now!"

A man says, "It was the most enjoyable trip I've ever taken."

"Well, there it is!" shouts the conductor as we approach the campsite.

The roofs of the barracks can be seen above the top of the flat, low hill -- and we also see the brick chimneys.



✓smoke gets in your flapdoodles

this is "30" for us.... it has been fun...we only hope that you all enjoyed this column too...

✓flapdoodle of the royal mounted

good luck to you all... good luck meaning, of course, fewer rutabagas and less maze gohan on the meal table, fewer flies buzzing around in the w.c. and fewer fukuyama brothers.... may we all meet again... yes, we would like to get together with you all after this is over...that is, with the exception of perhaps the beat recreation department people and certainly the cracked PACEMAKER staff...

✓first come, first flapdoodle

we hear that the equipment shack out at the anita chiquita field is closing up...no more games unless the fellas bring out their own stuff.

✓hors d' flapdoodles

the manzanar boys will have a hot time with their football this fall...they are playing eight man ball ...and every and anyone is eligible for a pass...it will be plenty wide open.

✓parley vous flapdoodle

those going to arkansas will be able to listen to those wild grid games that they usually play in the south..lucky people!

✓that was no lady--

that was my flapdoodle

we guess that now is the time for our expression of appreciation to all who helped us put out the page of sports twice a week and who pitched in on the flapdoodle part of the column.

we wish especially to thank eunice "shape" yokota and yosh kojimoto of the statistics department of the recreation department. and then there are sam minami, joe suski, george yuzawa, joe itano and a few others without whose help we would have had one heluva time filling up the old sheet.

## Remember These Sports Events?

Headlines of past PACEMAKER sports pages read..... George Tanbara Wins Men's Badminton Title...Shugo Seno Wins Ping Pong Title...Takagi's Models Win in Airplane Contest...Jimmy Tanaka Captures Horseshoe Title...Osako, Kimura and Chino Star in Judo Tournament...Tanaka Stars in Sumo Bouts...Albert Miyama Wins Marble Title...Noboru Okimoto Wins Gold Sumo Loving Cup...Sechi and Tabata Win in Model Plane Meet...Koo Kawada, Pedro Catcher Leads Hitters in AA League with .500... Hashiguchi-Minami Badminton Doubles Team Wins.

## LOOKING BACK ON ATHLETIC PROGRAM

### Softball, Hardball, Basketball Prove Most Popular With Fans

Athletics are dying at Santa Anita as the relocation program progresses so this will be the last PACEMAKER sports page.

During the six-month history of the Center, many persons and teams have come to the fore because of their performances on the Anita Chiquita field and in the Recreation hall.

Softball was the number one sport and at the height of the season drew more contestants and spectators than any other two sports combined.

The San Diego Falcons were the kingpins of softball during the first several months, winning almost every contest by preposterous scores.

Then the Huskies took over the lead from the San Diego nine and were champs until they met the Jockeys and were beaten by one run scored in the last of the last inning.

After many hard tussles, the young Azucars from San Jose finally copped the Center hardball championship, defeating the powerful Dodgers who were led by Joe Suski, Tak Kobayashi and Kiyoshi Murakami.

✓flapdoodle con carne

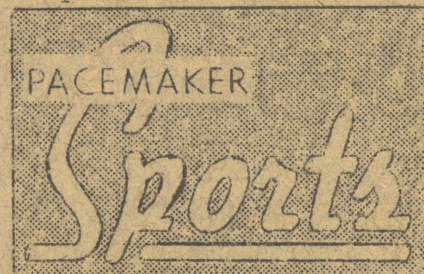
then there is the group that thought likell for the flapdoodles every week ...the PACEMAKER staff members and the boys who came from around 30th street in los angeles, namely woody, dave, sob, goat, squeeks, andy and a few others.

✓auld lang flapdoodle

well, that's about it... thanks a lot! till we meet again, flapdoodle-oo!

Then just a couple of weeks ago, basketball got underway. The Recreation department sponsored an elimination tournament that was monopolized by San Francisco teams.

Fog City with such stars as Jin Kinoshita, Mits Kojimoto and Babe Okura came out on top after a hectic week and a half of thrilling games. The tournament was highlighted by the Fog City - Golden Bears contest which decided the championship.



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## 'Big Three' Aid In Finance Win

The Finance Also Rans defeated the Los Caballeros 7-5 in a belated B American softball championship game last week at Anita Chiquita.

The Also Rans were supported by Finance Director Henry E. Scofield, Personnel Chief Lewis J. Horn and Assistant Personnel Chief Everett M. Raymond, who were on the sidelines all through the game. Threats of suspension of pay from the Big Three went a long way toward the Also Rans' victory.

Jimmy Hashimoto was the winning pitcher and John Yamamoto umpired the contest.

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And a word of apology is in order to the Recreation department for an item last week about a scavenger hunt which was not given by them.

That it was a successful party, however, is not to be denied. Les Feader, one of the guests, being still unrecovered sufficiently by Sunday morning to handle his regular announcing job at the evacuation enclosure.

The Rec department, too is suffering from evacuation problems--the closing of the grandstand forcing them to move into one of the barracks--along with the common people.

### Five-foot shelf

Our Purple Passages, or department of Undying Prose, is proud to present this classic from the El Joaquin:

'The golden sun had half-dipped itself out of view signifying the rapid approach of dusk. Cloudless and aquamarine except for the screen of fuchsia tinted clouds hanging in the eastern firmament and the lavender pall skirting the horizon about me, the sky presented a colorful symphony of Nature's grandeur.

'With lurid rays, the brilliance of the sinking sun filtered thru the nearby trees to gild the slatted walls of the barracks in gold.'

### Not guilty

And the millyuns of requests for the popular 'You're Always in My Heart' to be played at community dances for departing evacuees couldn't all have been pags. We do suspect that 'Time on My Hands' for the PACEMAKER staff from the Police dept. was a phoney.

And it is with genuine sorrow that we say goodbye to Lil Neebo.

All right, so he was a nasty brat at times, but this only endeared him to us the more.

We hope that Chris Ishii will take the best of care of Lil Neebo and keep him out of--not scrapes but--unworthy publications.

## Editorial

# Kids Without a Country

(Reprinted from the column, "Our City," by F. F. Runyon in the Pasadena Independent, Sept. 4, 1942):

Let us hope that in the distortion of this war the faith of those little Japanese kids who thought America was their country is not also warped. Here indeed is a strange problem. The Japanese kids in Japan have a side to fight for while the Japanese kids born in America and living under the belief that it was their country too have been set apart from that country until now they are beginning to feel that in truth they are children without a country.



If we are to be as good and as wise as we claim to be, then we must allow a corner of our reason to ponder on this problem. The elder Japanese seem to understand. They for the most part are taking things philosophically. Their older boys and girls are less content to spend their youth behind wired enclosures and may become embittered unless the rest of us recognize their plight and appreciate the strain on their loyalty.

But I'm talking about the little kids. The tots who look through the fences and across the Arizona desert and say to their parents, "Why do we have to stay here? Why can't we go home?"

It's kinda tough to answer that one....

The American army has done a masterful job in its evacuation of the Japanese...The smoothness with which everything has gone off so far is a compliment both to the U.S. authorities and those affected. Perhaps to keep things as they should be we must realize that the suffering, most liable to cause trouble, will not come from Gila monsters but from the hearts of loyal Japanese Americans who took the rap with good grace and now are beginning to think they have been forever forgotten.

## Lil Neebo

BY Chris Ishii

