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Each volunteer was provided with a truck or other conveyance, so that his friends, especially those of his own family and block, might accompany him to the gate of the city. Most of the people were gathered, however, at an improvised reviewing stand, where the local committee was assembled. As each truck drew up before the stand, the volunteer and his mother dismounted and were received by the members of the committee. A red, white and blue lei was placed around the neck of the young soldier to be, and a red artificial carnation and service pin were fastened to the bosom of the mother who was dedicating her son to the service of her adopted country.

As one witnessed this impressive farewell and noted the strong American and Christian sentiments expressed in speeches, songs and prayer, it was hard to realize that this was a city created to accommodate those who for racial reasons were regarded as unsafe to remain in American communities on the Pacific Coast.

Having heard one of our Mayors appeal for the exemption of Italian aliens from evacuation to inland areas on the ground that they had sons in the American Army, the writer could not help but wonder when this factor would be made the basis of appeal on behalf of the thousands of parents of Japanese race who also have sons who are serving faithfully in the armed forces.

GORDON K. CHAPMAN.

Berkeley.

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Representing the volunteers for the special Japanese-American combat team of the United States Army, who represent the loyalty of a great majority of American-born Japanese in the Minidoka Relocation Center, I take strong exception to the statements broadcast in a series of radio programs from San Francisco accusing and condemning the Nisei as being disloyal.

We take pride in our American heritage. Ours is the loyalty that fears not the supreme sacrifice. Ours is a determination founded upon faith in America to preserve the blessings of democracy for ourselves and our children's children. Race prejudice, discontent and disunity at home can only mean a stab in the back to us who are willing to shed our life's blood for the cause of America. Our cause is greater than issues of race for the perpetuation of our American way of life against the forces of aggression and dictatorship. As the President said when he approved the Army combat team of Nisei, "The principle on which this country was founded and by which it has always been governed is that Americanism is a matter of the mind and heart; Americanism is not and never was a matter of race or ancestry. A good American is one who is loyal to this country, to our creed of liberty and democracy."

MASARU "CHICK" UNO,
Chairman, Minidoka Volunteers
Organization.
Hunt, Idaho, May 20.

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About the most inhuman and un-Christian idea I have heard is a demand made by some for rescinding the citizenship of Japanese-American born citizens as a reprisal for the execution of some of the Doolittle aviators in Japan.

The war lords responsible for these executions should be duly punished after the war. Such breaking of international law should be punished according to international law. Do we who are supposed to know the meaning of individual liberty and freedom punish the children of the murderer? No, we let our courts mete out justice to the murderer himself.

German and Japanese war lords have committed their atrocities, but at least they frankly state that they do not believe in Christian principles. But for citizens who pretend to believe in Christianity, to be so willing to pile up hatred and revenge on the innocent, is hypocrisy itself. This is not talking in idealistic clouds if we remember the words of Madame Chiang Kai-shek who bears the eight years' suffering of the Chinese on her shoulders: "We must spend less time on hatred and recriminations for the enemy and more time on ways of co-operation after the war;" and "We must remember the teachings of Jesus to hate what men do and not men themselves."

MRS. DONALD FERGUSON.
Providence.

VIOLATE FOUR FREEDOMS

Editor: It's tragic to watch the byplay of our various "patriotic" organizations trying to break down the "four freedoms" expressed by our esteemed President, for which our men are fighting and dying for. I mean the expulsion of, and the "Nazilike" hate towards the Japanese-American citizen.

Hooray for the learned and wise preacher who recently wrote in this column stating that he preferred a Christian Japanese than many of our "flag-waving, whisky-drinking and big-talking patriots." He is wise in stating that we are all of the same blood. Remember folks, there is good and bad in all races and nationalities. Don't be swayed by the "rabble-rousing" organizations into "hating" and doing the exact things which Hitler and his gang are doing.

Hitler and his ilk are doing the same towards the Jew as we are starting to do towards the Jap.

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As to the treating of the enemies of the Children of Israel, we find references in the Bible, giving strict instructions as to the method to be employed. Thus in Deuteronomy, the twentieth chapter and seventeenth verse, we find the command, "But thou shalt utterly destroy them"; referring to the enemies round about them. Again, in the book of Joshua, sixth chapter, nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-first verses, we find definite authority for the complete destruction of an enemy race.

Once more, in First Samuel, fifteenth chapter and third verse, we find the following injunction, "Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not, but slay both men and women, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass." There are many other passages in the Old Testament which give the same directions to the rulers of the Hebrew people. This method of disposing of one's enemies was thoroughly effective for they never rose again to make trouble and cause war. For over two thousand years certain of the Germanic tribes with each succeeding generation have gone on the warpath; they had swarmed over ancient Rome. Their two last raids upon the human race in the first and this second World Wars, have been so appalling, so brutal, so uncalled-for, that the Biblical injunction of complete and total destruction

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Every Japanese, though they be native born, at the end of this war should be returned to the Land of the Setting Sun, for if allowed to remain and to become citizens in a few generations they would outnumber us, for they thrive and breed with great rapidity. Were they to conquer us, we would be reduced to ignominious slavery or put to the sword, our young women ravished, our ideals of human liberty crushed into the dust. As to the so-called Christian Japanese, some of whom go about our eastern sections preaching, ninety-nine chances out of one hundred they are merely serving their country by pulling the wool over our innocent eyes and very little or no confidence should be placed in them. As a nation, for the peace of the world, they should receive the same treatment meted out to the enemies of the Hebrew nation, according to the Word of God.

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The highest conception of God is to be found in the New Testament teachings of Jesus, and nowhere is there a command to exterminate one's enemies. Rather, "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, and do good for them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you." "Love suffereth long and is kind." "God is love." The teachings of Jesus are saturated with overcoming one's enemies by the patient, persistent, peaceful method. Incidentally, this worked in Asia before it was tried in America.

Truly, "God has made of one blood all people"—this I do know about your field, good friend. We have different customs, we act differently, but there is good in all nationalities. Frankly, I would rather trade some of my flag-waving, high-salaried, profit-making, liquor-selling neighbors for some Christian Japanese. If you say that Japanese are not Christian—meet some of them in church and in action. If most of us knew facts we would be less apt to throw our tongues into gear and allow our brains to idle.

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Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Native Sons of the Golden West for forming together to fight against the release of the low-grade yellow Japs, all of them; for a Jap is a Jap wherever they are born. The people in Sonoma county don't want the Japs back here now or ever again. And if the mothers and fathers want to go a little farther in helping their sons and daughters overseas, cooperate with the groups I have mentioned above. The only way to keep them out of Sonoma county indefinitely is to put it up to voters in the next election and let them vote on it, and you will see the voters say no Japs! And never mind what Biddle says about it. This is Sonoma county, state of California, United States of America, not Germany; we get what we want in this county by voting—not by someone telling us what to do. And, Mr. Editor, I dare the chamber of commerce (not the junior) to let it be up to the voters if they want Japs or not. Perhaps they will be afraid they can't get the Japs back so they will have low wage scales again.

Remember Pearl Harbor, for that memory will never, never die in the minds of the American people!

(Signed) A READER WHO HAS A BROTHER SEABEE OVERSEAS.

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key of the project are Johnson outlined a program to control such rodents as kangaroos, rats, and jack rabbits, which constitute a menace to our food crops. Under the supervision of William C. Farrell, grow has been organized with Motoki Yatabe as the man to combat this situation.

On the debit side of these data are the existence of dust storms at regular intervals caused by south winds of high velocity. However, this condition will be somewhat alleviated this spring by the landscaping and gardening program which is currently being undertaken by the Agricultural division.

January 19 when the thermometer dipped to 9 below zero, but this is far above the all-time low recorded at Desert on January 9, 1937. The hottest day was 106 in June a number of years ago; however, residents of Toiyabe may anticipate an average summer heat which ranges from 80 to 95 degrees during the day. These figures illustrate the fact that Toiyabe

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GET RID OF ENEMIES

Editor: An open letter to all true Americans—

Looking back through the pages of history some five or six thousand years, we find that the men of that time were far more practical than we are now.

Traders at San Francisco:

BARLEY—No. 2 bright western barley (testing 44 pounds, \$1.80; No. 1 bright western maricut, testing 40 lbs., \$1.80@1.82½; grading, \$1.82½; shipping, \$1.82½@1.85; choice malting types, \$1.85@1.87½.

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CORN—No. 2 yellow corn, bulk, \$2.36@2.37; No. 2 white corn, bulk, nominal; No. 2 California milo, \$2.40 (bright); No. 2 white Egyptian corn, \$2.45@2.50 (bright).

OATS—California red feed oats, \$2.25.

MILLFEEDS—(Bagged, per ton, in carload lots)—Northern standard millrun, \$41.24; northern white millrun, \$41.24; northern white bran, \$41.24; northern middlings, \$41.24; northern shorts, \$41.24. Intermountain red millrun, nominal; do blended millrun, nominal; do white millrun, nominal. Montana bran, nominal. Local standard millrun, \$41.24; do white millrun, \$41.24; do middlings, \$41.24; do white bran, \$41.24; do shorts, \$41.24; Kansas bran, nominal.

ALFALFA—(Baled, per ton, in carlots)—Choice alfalfa, generally comparable to U. S. No. 1, nominal; No. 1 dairy, do No. 2 leafy, nominal; No. 2 dairy, do No. 2, nominal; ungraded hay, from first cutting, \$24@28; from second cutting, \$29@31.

Livestock Market

Federal-State Market News Service

CATTLE—The salable receipts of cattle approximated 75. Demand was slow account of impending holiday. Medium to good steers were unavailable. A few loads of medium steers were salable as feeders at \$13.25@14. Medium to good grass heifers were quoted \$13.50@14. A few good grass cows sold in the spread of \$12@12.50. Most of the morning sales were in the nature of a clean-up of odds and ends. A few fleshy common cows moved at \$8@8.50, most cutters \$7.50 and a few canners at \$6@6.50, weak with the week's generally lower trends. Late yesterday cutter to common, tribes with each succeeding generation have gone on the warpath; they had swarmed over ancient Rome. Their two last raids upon the human race in the first and this second World Wars, have been so appalling, so brutal, so uncalculated, that the Biblical injunction of complete and total destruction

MINISTER OBJECTS

Editor: It seems fashionable to clutter this department of your good paper with sterile opinions. All of us seem good in giving advice, but when we "jump the fence into someone else's field" we usually are as handy as a Park

Good poultry houses, 3000-hen cap.; 3000 baby chick cap.; abund. water, 2000-gal. cap.; 2500 young laying hens; 1600 Reds 2½ mo. old; 750 W. L. pullets 2½ mo. old; 7 cows; monthly income close to \$1000. Grace Edna Bennett, 22 Main St. P. O. Box 451, Ph. 849, Petaluma, Cal. 5X30

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Furniture Dealers Of Five Counties Hold Confab Here

Home-furnishing, hardware and appliance retailers from five northbay counties gathered last night at the Occidental hotel to hear prominent San Francisco executives and a member of the CPA discuss postwar planning in the electrical-appliance field and provisions made for the present selling of such equipment, especially cooking items.

Addresses followed a dinner and other might be, or whatever our ideas of racial superiority are (Aryan, Asiatic, or American) for the sake of the God of righteousness, please don't drag the word of God out of a hat to "prove" a theory. Better stick to your medicine.

(THE REV.) F. E. RAYMOND

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It is admitted that the Japs here in our land have been orderly, well-behaved—on the street, in the school, in business. But it is all a part of their well-laid planning and scheming for many years to deceive us and quietly pull the wool over our eyes. The more clever and dangerous a crook, the more thoroughly he will convince you that he is trustworthy.

If a would-be assassin took a shot at you, and missed, would you stand there, peacefully, with love in your heart and allow him to shoot again, maybe that time to kill you? If we win this war we can say "The Japs took a shot at us and missed." Should they be allowed to reload and shoot again? I say never.

ETHEL SCHEIBEL,
632 Petaluma Ave.,
Sebastopol.

J. Rosa P.D.

JAP-BAN PLAN

Editor: I would like to add a few words to the article in Saturday's paper about "Jap Ban" in reply to the brother of a "Seabee."

I personally believe that if you and I got together organizing a "Jap-ban plan," we could sweep Sonoma county clear of the Japs.

I am a farmer and one who realizes that U. S. farm machinery can and will help us farmers to solve this problem of food for victory, even after the war is won. And I believe that our jobs here at home is to keep the Japs in camps so that when the "boys" return from the war, they can escort the Japs to ships with one-way tickets to Japan, rationed for 50 years' leave from U. S.

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Editor, Topaz Times:

This is a protest to the "Old Issei" whose letter recently appeared in the Topaz Times.

It is natural for the nisei to be proud of being loyal to the United States and to be willing to give their lives in defense of their country when they are called upon to do so. This is their American pride, and their pride as Americans of Japanese ancestry.

We must not, however, forget that the United States is a democratic country. It was because of this principle of democracy that in the recent registration we were permitted to answer questions 27 and 28 in our own way. It is obvious that the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play must guide our daily association with

those who answered in a different way than we did.

There may be among kibe nisei those who evaded the draft in Japan. We must recognize that among these are many who did so because they were Americans and wanted to remain loyal only to the United States.

There are also people who are not prepared at this time to express their loyalty to the United States as clearly as they would like to, because they were made to realize the forces of racial prejudice which were partly responsible for evacuation.

We can understand the fervor which motivated the "Old Issei" to express his wishes for the future of the people of Japanese ancestry. But we cannot agree with him when he terms those who answered "no"

cowardly or un-Japanese.

Nor can we agree with those who, we hear, tend to resort to extreme measures to express their disagreement with the "Old Issei." The principles of democracy and the spirit of Yamato teach us that to oppose an opinion only the vehicle of speech must be employed. The term "Yamato-Damashii" or the "spirit of Yamato" means "the spirit of great peace," to forget which would shame all men of Japanese ancestry. This should be realized especially when the writer is an old issei whom we should respect for his age if for no other reason.

James Oki

Karl Ichiro Akiya
(Ed. note: The above is an answer to a letter which appeared in the Japanese section of the March 10th issue of the Topaz Times.)

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Letters from Statesman Readers

My Dear Mr. Editor and Fellow
Ex-Governor:

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We have rationing on the home—only our situation, increasing number of passengers we can't allow ration coupons. In our dining cars on forces traveling in group When your turn comes! people are probably waiting.

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ut, frankly, here's our situation . . .

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Editor's Note—Former Governor Pierce confuses indiscriminately Japanese living in Japan under its political system, its military caste, and its culture with Japanese-Americans living in the United States, educated in American schools, reading American papers and books, listening to the American radio and seeing American movies. These people are in process of becoming as rapidly and thoroughly Americanized as other immigrants with divergent race or language roots. Jap cruelty and rapacity are not genetic. There is no need to visit on Japanese-Americans of assured loyalty to this country the punishment which surely must be meted out to the war-lords of Japan. To invoke it is to deal in blind prejudice and unwarranted hatred.

Ex Gav. Prague 5/26/43

The Safety Valve

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PIERCE ON JAPS

My Dear Mr. Editor and Fellow Ex-Governor:

I read with interest your column about my speech, before Salem Rotary, on the Japanese. I thank you for the opportunity to place my reply before those who have read your column. Discussion of this subject of disposal of the Japanese after the war is most timely. It is a matter of deep concern to the thoughtful citizens of the whole nation, and is of transcendent importance to the Pacific northwest and the coast, which faces Japan. This is the most serious threat in our history and it comes from an aggressive, militaristic nation. Arguing before the supreme court, recently, US Solicitor-General Fahey said "Japan . . . intended to conquer the United States. There is no doubt about that—and Japan still intends to conquer us." He told the court that Japanese on the Pacific coast lived in colonies and had not been assimilated; that ten thousand youths had been sent to Japan for education—a proportion not reached by any other racial group. The letter from the gentle young Japanese girl was appealing, but she can have no influence on her nation, which, under its doctrine of dual citizenship, will always claim her fealty. They are enemies in our midst; this war is just a dress rehearsal, a sortie for supplies. We are now up against the question as to which race will dominate this beautiful section.

If you would talk with the best citizens of Hood River county, where they know this situation intimately, you would learn that it is not the "rabble" which is aroused. That designation "rabble rouser" which you give me is a compliment, as it was applied to Sam Adams and Patrick Henry, and to scores of others who have aroused citizens by their appeals to Americans when they had fears for their country. It is a privilege, in my old age, to endeavor to stir men to action in the face of Japanese penetration of the United States during the past 40 years, and the statements of their government as to future plans.

While we rejoice over our costly victory on Attu, we must mourn over our defeat in Malheur county, Oregon. In the midst of this bloody war, Japanese agents have bought ten thousand acres, so it is estimated, of most fertile sugar-beet land which was irrigated by our government at a cost of 18 million dollars, on the plea that American farmers needed more land. Was any other government, at any other time, so criminally negligent as to allow the sale of its very soil to people of an enemy nation, set out to conquer them and killing its youth? Japan does not give the privilege

of land ownership to any other nationals. Australia and New Zealand forbid residence to the Japanese and they are willing to fight to keep their country free, just as our army is doing. Why should citizens lag, behind the lines? The man who makes the first sale to Japanese is foully unpatriotic, as he creates a Japanese settlement in which Americans cannot live and rear families. The first sale imperils other land-holders and they have no alternative but to sell. The neighborhood sinks to the Japanese level and becomes an outpost for penetration. It is not true that white labor cannot raise sugar beets. It is a question of fair division of the huge profits between the sugar-barons and the producers. We brought negroes to America for cheap labor and we have one difficult race problem. Greed should never again be allowed to saddle our country with undesirables because they furnish cheap labor. Oriental and Occidental cannot live together. Shall we surrender to Asiatics the country which has been won with so much sacrifice and is the finest flower of white civilization?

In 20 years, the Japanese have acquired 40 per cent of the best pear and apple lands of the Hood River valley, largely through evasion of our land laws. Thirty five per cent of the profits this year are credited to the Bank of Yokohama, to be paid, after the war, to those we are now supporting in concentration centers. I am told that they own 60 per cent of the best Wenatchee fruit land, and it is not being sold.

You point to Japanese accomplishment at Labish. When I was governor, this was called "Little Tokyo." White farmers from the south would do the same and leave no problem. The white race has pioneered this land, leveling all barriers in its 3000 mile path, lined with schools, churches, hospitals and American homes. Our civilization has developed along lines which will always be foreign to the Japanese. Our people are not the kind who sink hospital ships and execute prisoners of war. The Oregonian editorially called them "debased barbarians," just yesterday. It is not only the yellow skin and the slant eyes, but it is the ruthless nature, the cruel heart, their traditions which take the place of religion, their methods of living, dual citizenship, and their aggressive nation—all these factors point to the desirability of carrying out the missionary enterprise among them in their own land, if they will allow it.

You speak of after-war business with Japan. Business will be possible without the shameful appeasement which kept scrap-iron moving from Portland to Japan right up to December 7, 1941. That business was prof-

itable, but it exacted a fearful toll from American youth. There are things more important than business, as our business men and farmers have conceded, in their cooperation to win the war. Other nations have learned how to do business with the Orient without granting insolent demands. I would preserve the flow of trade and international relations, while keeping our country free from colonization.

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KEEP OUT JAPS.

To The San Francisco Examiner:

General De Witt appeared before a Congressional committee to impress the gentlemen that we must keep the Jap out of the Pacific coast area. The general worked diligently to remove this potential enemy from a defense area and succeeded. I am amazed to think that any American would be so audacious as to suggest leaving any Japs return.

Our sons were sent to the bottom of the sea, by this dastardly race at Pearl Harbor. We were not at war; therefore not on the defensive when these people struck, and don't ever forget that these same people do not live by our standards.

I have a son out on the South Pacific flying with the Navy, who is only 18 years old. He and all of those boys are defending our shores against the Japs from Tokio. It is our job to keep the Japs of California in relocation centers.

I sincerely hope that our people will be alert to any move, of the sentimentalist to bring back to this coast the Jap. Our sons are out there coming to grips with these crafty creatures, at this very moment simply because we trusted the honorable Jap.

MRS. L. CASTAGNETTO,
San Francisco.

NO BANZAI.

To The San Francisco Examiner:

The Army has carefully evacuated all Japanese from the Pacific coast and accomplished it well.

According to what you read and hear, 30 per cent of these evacuated California Japanese celebrated the bombing of Pearl Harbor and from 50 per cent to 70 per cent are pro-Tojo.

General De Witt does not want them back here because you cannot tell the good from the bad. Such an explanation should be clear enough to even a politician; it is to the average Californian.

Yet, who is responsible for their return, as they are again walking the streets of San Francisco? Will there be more lights on Bush Street during the next blackout?

Will there be more hospital beds filled because some want votes and others want their hedges trimmed?

Bull's-eye, not Banzai.

E. O. McCORMICK JR.,
San Francisco.

4/27/43 S.F. Ex.

READY TO DIE FOR U. S.

Editor: When Americans of all ages and nationalities are proving they are willing to die for their country on many distant battlefronts, why do some Americans continue to imitate Hitler in blindy persecuting and hounding racial minorities on a purely racial reason? Why must war be fought in our backyard when our real enemies are across the seas? Yet, race rioting in Detroit and blaming the

Mexicans for the zoot-suit demonstration in Los Angeles are excellent fuel for Goebbels and Tokyo's propaganda machine.

In spite of the shocking discrimination, Japanese-Americans have not forgotten their obligations to their country of birth. Thousands have volunteered for special combat units to fight for our common foes wherever they may be sent. Already 175 Japanese-American soldiers, according to a U.P. dispatch, are in the South Pacific, probably slugging it out toe to toe with Tojo's soldiers.

Finally, is American democracy a democracy for the whites made a major issue of this war?

FRANK KITANAI,
Tule Lake.

Santa Rosa P.D.

RACIAL ISSUE

Editor: Having relatives as ex or present members of the army or navy seems to qualify one for untold authority. As I had a couple of grandfathers in the Civil War, a great-grandfather as quartermaster under John Paul Jones, a brother in the World War and something like 32 cousins in this war, I wonder if I bear authority. Personally, I don't understand this method of qualifications. (Another point I fail to see is: My father was not a native son, but he helped build a railroad so that many of the native sons' parents could ride out in ease. But poor old dad, being a native of Utah, doesn't count when opinions are passed around.)

I am afraid that Fascism and Nazism has a fifth column here. Democracy stands for freedom for all, Hitlerism stands for the superiority of one race. Democracy stands for equal opportunities for

all, Hitlerism stands for the suppression of rights of other than the favored race. Democracy says of internal issues, "The ballot will decide." Hitlerism, Fascism, Axisism says, "The army or force will decide."

Finally, we have another epidemic of Bible misquotes. When Jesus spoke of "scribes, hypocrites, and Pharisees, he was speaking as a Jew to Jews. If an American applies the passage he must in all fairness apply it to his own people.

Let's be consistent. If we're going to condemn Sam Ito, who was born here and saluted the flag every morning with pride, because the Japanese hit Pearl Harbor when American forces were intoxicated, asleep, and off duty, then we are going to deport all Jews because they killed Jesus, deport all English because they burned Washington in 1812, deport the negro because they started the New Orleans riot, expel the Italians because of the Boston Ethiopian celebration, dismiss the Irish, for they too are guilty. When you are all through the Indians will be a lot more peaceful than the hot-air patriots. Come to think about it, the only people that we could leave with the Indians would be the Scandinavians. Wish I was one.

Sincerely,

F. E. RAYMOND,
Forestville.

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A Plea for Fair Play.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

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St. Louis Post D.

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Editor: You won't recognize me by name, I'm sure, for we have never met, but I know of you, of The Press Democrat, and of many of the leaders in Santa Rosa, for

you are the only paper in the county that prints all districts. \$1.75@2.

CANTALOUPE — Imperial valley jumbo 18s. \$4.25@4.50; 23s. \$5@5.50; 27s. \$5@5.50; standard 45s. \$4.50@5.50; pony 45-54s. \$4@4.50; holdovers, poorer, \$3.50.

CHERRIES — Per lb. Santa Clara county Bings, 24@27c; Tartarians, 20c; Royal Annes, 17@18c; Republicans, 16@20c.

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FIGS — San Joaquin valley black Missions, single layer flats, \$1.25.

NECTARINES — Tulare county L. A. lugs, rivers, \$2.75@3.

PEACHES — San Joaquin county Florence, 4-basket crates, 4-lb baskets, 9-top, \$1.50@1.65; few \$1.75.

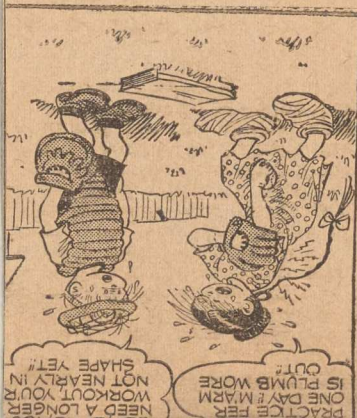
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WATERMELONS — Imperial valley Klondikes, 4@4½c, few 5c.

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Santa Rosa PD

When directors of the Woodland district chamber of commerce meet today at Campbell's, Ernest W. Hull, president, will read a letter written by a Woodland soldier

New Darrat for the Civic Organization

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Hospital attendants say his condition is not serious.

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I make mention of the above facts only because I want you to know where I have been, what I have been through, and still I hold no hatred in my heart for the Japanese themselves. Yet I have a fierce burning hatred for the ideas which are purposing this war, the ideas behind the Japs in the form of the greed and lust of their war lords. I have the hatred for the ideals behind the German soldier also, the ideals which would if given a chance, grind democratic and Christian ideals into the dust.

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Among my classmates in the high school here were students of Japanese parentage, but it didn't matter to me, for they were some of the finest kids I know and I would trust them as much as I would the kids who live in the same block with me. In fact, I would rather have them for my friends than such so-called Americans as the men who head the Anaconda Wire Company; men who were responsible for selling a defective grade of communication wire to the army and navy; or the men who were in charge of the Standard Oil of New Jersey and hobnobbed with the Nazis in the prewar years, swapping ideas and patents eagerly with them, but who held out for the highest amounts when their own government wanted patents for synthetic rubber, or men who would lead strikes in mines and other industries tying up production now when we need it most.

When this war is over I don't

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Newsperson's Employees

want the American Japanese kept out of California because I believe in democracy for everyone. And are you not hitting at the foundation of the ideal of our democracy as we see it, when you propose to isolate men because they are of a different color, and in the past may have been an enemy.

I'm not much of a Christian but I'm sure that if the Native Sons would study and practice some of the Christian ideals they claim the United States represents they would be a little more humane. I also believe this country and every country needs more Christianity and more of the love and ideals of Jesus Christ.

A YOUTHFUL AMERICAN.

Schall teaches the trainees boxing fundamentals and how to handle the facilities and distribution of equipment. More help is needed and it may be forthcoming soon.

(Continued from page one)

JOE. HAPLIN

We Invite You
At Our Ne

ANNOUN

Some trainees come and go at a last clip. The coaches attempt to give him the most training in the shortest possible time. Detailed records are kept of his work. More contact sports will be played during the summer and willson takes delight in turning his soldiers loose in the 300-yard endurance run. Every class starts out with strenuous exercises that boys

Woodland

A Plea for Fair Play.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I was with interest and deep gratitude that I read your editorial concerning Japanese-Americans. I am an American with a Japanese face. Speaking as an evacuee, I feel compelled to write of my appreciation regarding your expression of a policy of fair play.

I am certain that your confidence has not been misplaced. The Dies committee presently is having its day at the expense of us Americans of Japanese ancestry. We cannot raise our voices in our own defense. However, undoubtedly the good committee's efforts, though augmented with the soured opinions of certain California Congressmen, will culminate as another witch hunt.

As was pointed out, there certainly must be those among us whose loyalty is questionable. Senator Chandler's investigation brought that to light. On the other hand, it is not generally known that in the relocation center at Hunt, Ida., 279 young men, representing one-fifth of the center's draft-age eligibles, answered the Army's call for volunteers to form a combat team. It should be noted that for almost a year these men and boys had been confined within barbed wire enclosures and surrounded by machine guns. The sacrifice of these men certainly is an expression of loyalty which speaks where words falter.

KAY TAKEOKA.

St. Louis Post D.

HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S FIGHTING FOR!

Editor: You won't recognize me by name, I'm sure, for we have never met, but I know of you, of The Press Democrat, and of many of the leaders in Santa Rosa, for you see I am writing to you from all districts, \$1.75@2.

CANTALOUPE — Imperial valley jumbo 18s, \$4.25@4.50; 23s, \$5@5.50; 27s, \$5@5.50; standard 45s, \$4.50@5.50; pony 45-54s, \$4@4.50; holdovers, poorer, \$3.50.

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fierce burning hatred for the ideas which are purposing this war, the ideas behind the Japs in the form of the greed and lust of their war lords. I have the hatred for the ideals behind the German soldier also, the ideals which would if given a chance, grind democratic and Christian ideals into the dust.

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Santa Rosa PD

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The letter was addressed to Ford Shaffer, chairman of the committee that drafted the anti-Jap resolution that was forwarded to U. S. Senators Hiram Johnson, and Sheridan Downey and Congressman J. Leroy Johnson.

Answers have already been received from Senator Downey and Congressman Johnson.

Downey said the Woodland resolution has been carefully noted and will receive attention and consideration.

Johnson declared the resolution represents what "I believe to be the sentiment of most residents of California, and I assure you it will receive my careful consideration and has my approval."

The soldier's answer follows:
May 30, 1943.

Gentlemen:

Recently you went on record as opposed to the return of American citizens of Japanese descent to Woodland or the state of California.

I wonder if you realize the profound intolerance and strong racial

prejudice that is involved in that statement! There must be something wrong with a city and a state that sends its men out to fight for freedom, and then proceeds to stifle that freedom by blind hate, selfishness, and prejudice. Can it be Americans who look twice to see if a person has brown skin instead of white, and slant eyes instead of

oval shaped eyes? Can it be, gentlemen, that you have deviated so far from the American ideal that you DARE to judge a man because of his physical make-up? How is it then that you have overlooked the German-Americans, the Italian-Americans, the Swiss-Americans and the Dutch-Americans? What infallible touch-stone do you use in making these sharp discriminations? Do you realize how very thin the ice is on which you are walking?

I wonder if you really know this group of people whom you are persecuting with your prejudice! Do you know of the war bond sales and campaigns within their Relocation Centers? Do you know that already and at this very moment they are sending groups of volunteers into the ARMED FORCES OF THESE UNITED STATES? Do these things mean nothing to you?!

Accepted in East

Do you realize that many of these people are being accepted into Eastern communities, with respect and kindness and tolerance! Is Woodland any better than Denver or Chicago or New York?—Is California any more a part of America than Wisconsin or Colorado or Illinois?—Are we Westerners so much better than the rest of our fellow-Americans that we can afford to be smug, and "small" and secluded?

I am enclosing an article from an Eastern newspaper to give you a sample of the sort of Americanism that Woodland seems to lack! It is the real Americanism—and not the sort of flag-waving that hides behind unfair discrimination and selfish exploitation of innocent minorities.

Check Minds

Gentlemen, I ask you to look into your minds and hearts with honesty—and see if your opinions and attitudes are not motivated by a feeling of superiority and by a desire to think first of yourselves and secondly of your fellow-citizens!—Do you realize that in speaking for Woodland thusly, you have given it a most un-American reputation in the minds of all sincere, tolerant and right-thinking citizens of this country?—You have set our town in the same category as those other "American" towns and cities, that think they can preserve freedom by denying it to your next-door neighbor!

This is Memorial Day—and I have this to say to you. All the dead of all our wars for freedom are looking down on you in deep displeasure, deep disappointment—and with the profound conviction that PERHAPS THEY HAVE DIED IN VAIN! I urge you to reconsider!

May 30, 1943.

Dear Mr. Shaffer:

Enclosed is a letter to the di-

rectors of the Chamber of Commerce. This letter contains the sincere convictions of a native of Woodland and a member of the Army of these United States. Will you be good enough to read it to the directors at your earliest opportunity. Your trouble will be appreciated.

May I urge you personally to reconsider your resolution in regard to evacuated Americans of Japanese descent. The presence of a few unloyal people in the group surely does not justify you in condemning the entire group.

American youth is laying down its life that freedom may not die! The least those at home can do is to keep faith with us by defending the principles for which we are fighting! Tolerance, justice, decency and fair-play!

Please don't let us down!

An 'Arkie' and the Japs

Will you listen to an "Arkie" working at Lockheed's P-38 Final Assembly say a few things about the Jap problem?

I am a daily reader of your editorial page and note a lot is being said about turning the Japs loose in California again. Now I am not one of that kind at all as I don't want the place I work to be bombed or do I want my brother in the Army stationed on the West Coast to face an invasion of our country and also have them at his back, too. I think they should be kept under guard away from the West Coast for the duration.

Now I, like you, don't know who is responsible for the agitation to return them here but let's look at it from the standpoint of the people of Eastern Arkansas. There are 20,000 Japs interned in Arkansas, 10,000 at Jerome and 10,000 at Rohwer. According to all reports from there they are living a life of ease there on the most fertile lands of the Mississippi Valley. They are being taught by teachers—some former Arkansas school-teachers who quit their jobs because they could make more money working for the government teaching Japs.

As you know, Arkansas ranks high on the list of illiteracy.

What the poor Arkansas farmer and laborer who work long hours to raise the food for victory and contribute their money don't understand is why this bad condition is allowed to exist.

They hope that after the war the Japs won't be turned loose in Arkansas, educated by the government with teachers taken from the white schools of Arkansas. I know the people of California don't want the Japs after the war. Neither does Arkansas.

I hope the Dies committee will investigate conditions at Jerome and Rohwer, too, while they are at it.

I think you, Mayor Bowron and the Honorable Governor of California can get plenty of co-operation from Honorable Homer M. Adkins of Arkansas in a move to have something done about the Jap problem after the war. I think that now is the time to start and not after the war. Don't you? I think Governor Adkins will help to the fullest extent in creating public opinion against letting them come back to California or staying anywhere in continental United States after the war, but the time to start is now.

JAMES T. FERGUSON,

San Fernando.

Dear Sir:

As a native Berkeleyan and an alumnus of the University of California, I want to express how much I enjoy reading about hometown "doings" weekly through your servicemen's section and in particular the "Weekly Letter from Home." I receive your paper weekly through the kindness of a kindly lady and have been for most of my several months of army life at several camps and finally here in Minnesota. Needless to say, it was certainly nice to keep up with home town affairs and reports or whereabouts of many people as well as personal friends during all those months, let alone the activity at Cal and how they've been faring in the field of sports.

Aside from this only natural interest of hometown news on my part, I wanted to inform you how this gesture of this particular kindly lady has affected me. Due to my ancestry, my road of army life has not been too smooth nor very ideal as you may well guess. There were even times when I was not only bewildered but even bitter. Yes, some of those days during those past months were quite trying but somehow or another I stuck it out and maintained faith. And as I look at it now I kind of wonder if gestures of this lady and other wonderful people like her who understood our position had not had much to do with my action. I am inclined to believe it did and I am very grateful and appreciative for their kindness.

After going overseas I will be looking forward to receiving the paper with even more eagerness than I have been. I trust too, that it will serve to remind me what I am fighting for all the more and spur me onward to greater efforts enabling me to contribute my share to quicken the end of this terrible war.

Sincerely yours,

CPL. YUKIO KAWAMOTO, a Nisei.

Berk Gazette 6/25/43

LA Times 6/21/43

PERMANENT BAR.

To The San Francisco Examiner:

The return to the Pacific coast now or any time of Japs should be prevented.

The people in Washington and the East do not know them as we do. They are treacherous and cannot be trusted.

This is too serious a problem not to do our utmost to have these rats banned from our area permanently.

WALTER FRANKLIN,
San Francisco.

JF Exam. 6/21/43

Exclusion

Editor The Chronicle—Sir: In the June 17 Safety Valve H. J. McClatchy, representing the California Joint Immigration Committee, rejects one of the democratic ideals for which America is fighting: That groups should not be persecuted because of race. His statement that "60 years' work has kept the Pacific Coast white" is obviously ridiculous, as the Pacific Coast is not "white"—witness the Filipinos, Chinese, Japanese, and Mexicans who have entered California.

He says that present "protection" from Orientals will be destroyed if "blundering idealists" should repeal the acts, specifically with the Chinese in mind. When have the Chinese ever menaced white persons on the West Coast? On the other hand, they have been law-abiding, hard-working and loyal people, who have a much lower crime rate and have caused less civic trouble than an average group of white people.

What makes Mr. McClatchy think that allowing Chinese citizenship and to enter on quota would add half a dozen Oriental problems to the present Negro one? Let him name specific problems, specific instances of required protection against the Chinese of California. Congress is not "debating a war hysteria bill," they are sanely planning to repeal laws originally passed in hysteria.

CONSTANCE WONG,
San Francisco.

JF Chron. 6/21/43

A MARINE'S VIEWS.

To The San Francisco Examiner:

It is with regret that one reads so many letters in your paper of loyal Japs. Especially the one of June 2, which referred to sane Americans. If I were to express my thoughts of what I think of Japs, and intentions of what should be done to them, should they be seen walking the streets of your fair city, it would shock the dignity of these Jap lovers that wish the return of the Japs to the West Coast.

I wear the uniform of my country, because I want a free democracy for my loved ones and friends to live in. Where a man can be free, and express his opinion as he wishes, without being afraid of being struck down by a rattlesnake.

Being raised in a state where one may run into a den of rattlesnakes at any time, I have yet to experience the time when I was not warned by the rattle of the snake, before having him strike at me.

Really in my heart I have more respect for the rattlesnake than I have for a Jap. Yet I know of

no law in some states that would convict me for killing the snake, while there would be many of these Jap lovers willing to send me to the legal gas chamber for killing a Jap.

If you exchange your comfortable beds for one night in the foxholes of Bataan you would know that there is no such thing as a loyal Jap.

A MARINE,
U. S. Naval Hospital,
Treasure Island, California.

JF Ey. 6/25/43

Japanese Problem

Editor The Chronicle—Sir: Recent letters concerning the Japanese-American problem show a hard-headed, realistic approach to that question. Certainly Lieutenant Dick and Hal Waldo know that we will and must get rid of the Japanese, and advocate a kind of lead-pipe justice to that end.

With Lieutenant Dick and Mr. Waldo there is no concern for that soft and silly provision of the American Constitution (Section I, Amendment XIV) which reads: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizen of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

The Dick-Waldo brand of hard-headed realism keeps the spirit of war alive in the world, and what objectively, is better for us than war? It furnishes full employment for the American people, it enables thousands of humdrum lives to take on heroic proportions; it makes us all feel noble, patriotic and self-sacrificing. The death that accompanies war is a small price to pay.

P. OLSON.
Berkeley.

JF Chron. 6/21/43

Loyalty

Editor The Chronicle—Sir: The loyalty of the American-born Japanese should not have to be discussed any further if he is considered in a place parallel to that of an American born in Japan. In wartime this person wouldn't think of being loyal to Japan.

If Japan were to invade the Pacific Coast, and they released the Japanese from their camps, would those American-born Japanese remain loyal to the U. S.? Why answer this? You know what you would do if you were an American born in Japan and the same thing occurred.

WALTER GAMBONI JR.,
Naval Aviation Cadet,
Atherton.

JF Chron. 6/21/43

JAPS IN HAWAII.

To The San Francisco Examiner:

This past week I received a letter from my brother in Honolulu, Hawaii, in which he enclosed a clipping from a "To the Editor" column of a Honolulu paper.

Following is quote of the clipping:

"Since our experience of yesterday, all this talk of loyalty and devotion to America on the part of local Japanese youth leaves us cold.

"We have lived in Honolulu for a good many years and understand the Japanese quite well. Yesterday we were playing tennis on the University of Hawaii courts, while graduation exercises were in progress in the amphitheater a few hundred feet way. When 'The Star-Spangled Banner' was being played, (which by the way still IS our national anthem) our foursome stopped playing and stood at attention. There were Haoles and Hawaiians on the next court who also stopped playing. Other courts were occupied by Japanese of draft age, and not one of them stopped. All of them continued playing and talking, meanwhile glancing at us and passing inaudible remarks.

"It becomes evident to us that their loyalty is only skin deep. Underneath we still find the 'Jap' and we begin to realize why the people of California refuse to trust them."

"AMERICAN."

I think that this should speak for itself and helps show that those who oppose the return of the Japanese to our coast have good reason for their distrust. I think the Japs should be kept where they can be watched.

J. STEUER.

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FROM RELOCATION CAMP.

To The San Francisco Examiner:

Glancing through this column the other day I came across an article written by a certain person whose initials are F. K. It is to this person in particular and to the public in general that I am directing this letter.

The subject of F. K.'s letter was "Japs in U. S. Army." I am just wondering if F. K. gave his subject an "airing" before submitting it to a nationally read newspaper.

I am an American citizen of Japanese ancestry. I am but a senior in high school, but I have suffered just as much as the Americans outside. (I say "outside" because I am writing this letter from a relocation camp where I have resided for the past year.) I have a brother in the Army who volunteered in November, 1942. He is just as much of an American as you are, F. K.! He believes in liberty, equality, justice and humanity.

He believes in the American flag and the American people of an indivisible democracy. It is, however, people like you who talk against good American soldiers like my brother, who spoil the fine chances of these soldiers to prove just how loyal they really are!

We (at this relocation camp) go to school and are taught what democracy means. Hundreds of our boys volunteered for sugar beet farming during those months when the call for workers was so urgent to the Nation. We pray in church for all of the American soldiers' safety. Our faith is upheld by friendly words from former teachers and friends back home and the Caucasian personnel here.

I. N.,

Tule Lake WRA Calif.

Japs on West Coast

To the Editor of The Inquirer:

We read of the understanding and kindness the people of Philadelphia are showing toward our former neighbors of Japanese ancestry. This evidence of your city's continued faith in the brotherhood of man is heartening to those "out West" who are ashamed of California's lapse from democratic living.

Here on the West Coast one hundred thousand whose sin is the choice of the wrong parents are being maligned and persecuted. It is the race-baiter's holiday. We are carried away by war-time hysteria and the propaganda of the prejudiced and the grasping. We missed our chance to work for national unity; we chose to pit race against race. Those we found to be law-abiding, self-respecting and industrious have become "America's most defenseless home-front casualties." California furnishes Japan with evidence of America's hypocrisy—proof of what the yellow race may expect of the white man—ammunition for her broadcasts to all Asia.

WM. C. CARR

Pasadena, Cal., July 10.

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Let us keep up the good work

Post Dispatch

Santa Rosa
Press Democrat

IDEALS OF CHURCH

Editor: Commenting on my letter, Mr. Foster wrote "I can readily understand how it could be easier, for some people, to love the Japs than it would be to hoe carrots," etc. Please permit me to reply that it is only after many hours with the hoe, and other farm implements, and the weather...

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7/6/43

PROTECTING STATE.

To The San Francisco Examiner:
Does Congressman Welch stand alone in opposing the Japs release?

I would like to know how other officials feel. I want to vote for a man who will protect my family.

Mr. Hearst and Hiram Johnson have told us of our peril for over twenty-five years, but they were greeted with deaf ears. Hence—Pearl Harbor. I am sure that all rural communities would like to know just how our representatives feel on the Jap subject.

MRS. FRANCES M. LANCEY,
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W. C. SHIPLEY, M. D.

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Editor of The Bee-Sun:

Wanted—A Japanese born here, who can teach in Nippon. Write details in care of Box W4183-35, from 29th St. to 16th St. to P. O. Box 29th St. up to \$9,000. Wanted—Private Party Will Pay Cash For A Pay cash to \$4,000. Dial 6-7248. WED 5-Room Home, Elmhurst District, stricted district. Call 6-8326. WILL PAY CASH For Your Equity in a modern 4 or 5-room home in a restricted district. Call 6-3729.

fought and won.

The thing to think of and do is win this war—and that we will because we Americans are not afraid to fight and work for our country and what it stands for. You spoke of the Bible misquotes. Do you know that today we have preachers who are working and and also common labor? We Christian Americans are proud of our preachers who are working and fighting to keep our right of freedom of religion.

I see no reason for you to wish to be an Indian or Scandinavian, just be thankful you are not in the reverse of your friend, Sam Ito: An American interned by the Japs.

Sincerely

Just another American.
MRS. E. W.

QUESTIONS ISOLATION

Editor: As the result, no doubt, of much reading and study, Mr. Foster finds himself definitely favoring a policy of complete isolation towards the Japanese after the war is over.

For myself, while not opposed to his ideas, I am not completely sold on them.

The main objective of those nations who are now fighting the Axis, when—and I think we can leave out any "ifs"—victory is theirs, will be to prevent a recurrence of future wars. This I feel reasonably sure can not be accomplished by leaving Japan to her own devices. Her people are so inexorably set on getting Asia solely for the Asiatics, with themselves as the dominant power, that they will doubtless, if let alone, pursue a policy of "If at first you don't succeed try, try, try again." And to control this they will have to be held strictly in check.

How can this be done by complete isolationism?

Very sincerely,

A. B.

IDEALS OF CHURCH

Editor: Commenting on my letter, Mr. Foster wrote "I can readily understand how it could be easier, for some people, to love the Japs than it would be to hoe carrots," etc. Please permit me to reply that it is only after many hours with the hoe, and other farm implements, and the washboard, and other domestic implements, that I read the Good Book, which teaches "compassion for the multitude"; or Shakespeare, who wrote "the devil can cite Scripture for his purpose"; or endeavor to play Parsifal, which was excluded during the exclusion hysteria of the first World War, along with the word "sauerkraut" and other things Germanic; or write to my sons in the army; or prepare church school lessons, which teach that equality of opportunity will banish the fallacy of racial superiority.

My letters reflect not only my insignificant opinion but the ideal of the church. Christians ask the question "What would Christ do in this matted?" and the consensus of Christian belief is that He would not sanction the exclusion of American citizens for the reason that they were born of Japanese parents.

E. C.

ANSWERS F.E.R.

Editor: It would seem from what our Forestville friend F.E.R. has to say, one must be a native son or daughter or have a line of relatives as ex or present members of the army or navy. If that is the case, I am a native daughter, had a relative who was secretary of war, a husband in World War I, also a brother and brother-in-law in this war. My father, too, helped to build the railroad. He is also a native son. So maybe that gives me the right to speak, although freedom of speech is the birthright of all Americans.

F.E.R., have you proof that the American forces were intoxicated, asleep or off duty at the time the Japs hit Pearl Harbor? I for one do not believe you have. Just because your friend, Sam Ito, saluted our flag does not make him loyal to the United States, even though he is your friend. Many people had to give up their houseboys, gardeners, cooks and other Jap help. They didn't like it either, but a Jap is a Jap and must be treated as such.

You referred to former wars; they are in the past, they have been

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San Rafael, Calif.

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On Dual Citizenship

Editor:

Perhaps the most deep-seated of all Japanese activities in the United States of America is the Japanese language school. It was in 1906, under Mayor Schmitz, that San Francisco itself had segregated the Japanese and others into separate schools, but these were still a part of the public school system. However, perhaps two decades later there appeared the Japanese school organized by the natives of Rising Sun land. In these the pupils were taught the Japanese language, which was commendable. Some Californians, however, were suspicious, to put it mildly, that such schools were really a part of the dual citizenship.

If same be true, such schools go even further than the repeated Japanese attempt to propagandize American public school children. It evolves the creation, within the American population, of a group loyal to an overseas throne because of impressions made upon plastic child minds. It was the writer's father, the late V. S. McClatchy, who first discovered Japanese injection, into public school text books, of Nipponese propaganda. One of its fundamentals was undermining public opinion favorable to China. That this is more than a decade before the Marco Polo Bridge incident indicates how far back Japan planned its fight against the Western democracies. Why not end dual citizenship now?

H. J. McCLATCHY, Secretary
California Joint
Immigration Committee.

San Francisco.

California's Wave of Hysteria.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

IN California and the West Coast a rabid element has started a "Sunkist hysteria" against American born Japanese. This deadly wave of race prejudice is like a malignant forest fire that starts in dry grass and burns the green with it.

I lived among these Japanese, native Americans and aliens, for the past 12 years. I have never seen anything wrong. They were always good neighbors, friendly, industrious and willing to help out in emergency. They were honest and trustworthy and their loss was distinctly felt everywhere. I witnessed that orderly evacuation, their quiet, proud behavior, the neat bundles and the lack of emotion so studiously held to.

Nobody out here says anything about the mishandling of the Japanese before they were interned. How they were ordered to plant "crops as usual." How they spent thousands of dollars planting great fields of rice and tomatoes, and then they were forced to either sell on a two-week notice at great sacrifice or leave everything behind. Hitler could not have done better toward this minority.

JO ALLYN CLARK.

Palermo, Cal.

GOOD NEWS FROM LEA

Editor: A letter from our efficient congressman, Clarence F. Lea gives us the cheering information that the Japs will not be released to the Pacific coast areas—at least, not until after the end of the war and Japan has been completely defeated. They said very few sardines were being allotted for fishing.

George Serva and Frank Calori, F. other congressmen from western states.

It is more than likely that all foreign-born and disloyal native-born Japs will be returned to Japan—also good news. It would be a fine thing to swap them—two for one—for our soldiers, sailors, marines and nationals now held in filthy Jap prison camps.

Through the efforts of the Native Sons, Sonoma county has sent several thousand signed protests to Congressman Lea asking that our county and state be forever freed from the Japanese menace. Any American who wants to add her or his protest can do so by writing a postcard or letter to our congressman, care House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

Let us keep up the good work

Post Dispatch

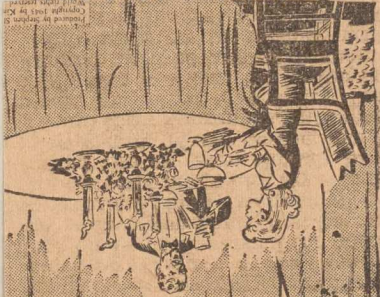
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Editor of The Bee—Sir: Judge Gregory of Oroville contends that Japanese born in this country are reared as Japanese and so must be loyal to Japan, instead of to the United States.

Quoting highest authority, Pearl Buck and Nathaniel Peffer, I may call the judge's attention to the fact that the American born in Japan and the Japanese born in the United States have both been exposed to and been imbued with the very selfsame ideals of Democracy—strong, sweet and true.

The American born and reared in Japan actually loves Japan, and the American missionary's children, who were born and reared in China, do love China. My young relatives back in Ohio confided that "China is a beautiful country and I want to go back there when I am educated." One of them is back there now as a nurse.

It is Pearl Buck and Nathaniel Peffer who declare that after this war and when we have conquered Japan we must make a Democracy of her before we can ever hope to get along with her again, and the quickest way to do that is to use all those loyal American born Japanese people in our relocation camps now, to teach them administrative duties, so that they can go back there, mingle with the people and teach them United States Democracy also.

Why does not our government accept such a proposition? California might find an ethical means of solving her present uncertainty and worry. At least, California has never had any appreciable crime or social problems with her native Japanese population, and they are sure short on agricultural labor since the Japanese left.

At any rate I think the judge should admit that the Oroville High School turned out several quite American Japanese who have never been found actually guilty of any wrongdoing, albeit unfounded rumors flew thick and fast about them. Not one thing has been substantiated against them that I have ever heard.

As a former judge and lawyer he must admit that none shall be charged with guilt until proved guilty.

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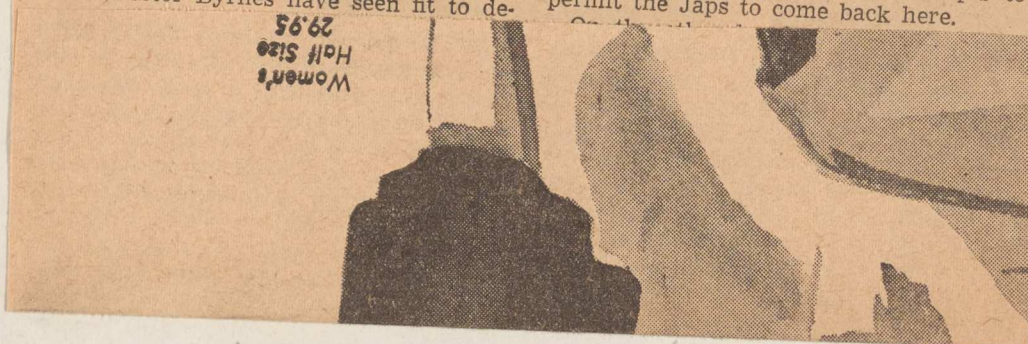
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'WHITE PERSONS'

There is no specific Federal statute denying American citizenship by naturalization to alien Japanese. The refusal to grant them papers of citizenship is based upon court interpretation of the term "white persons" as found in our naturalization laws. Thus in the case of Saito vs. United States, 1893, the Circuit Court of the United States for the New England area laid down the dictum that the Japanese do not come within the meaning of the term "white persons" as used in our naturalization laws.

This ruling was upheld in the Ozawa (a Japanese seeking American citizenship by naturalization) decision of the United States Supreme Court in 1922.

It should be noted that previous to 1911 a number of Japanese were naturalized, but in that year the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization issued orders directing that clerks of courts having jurisdiction refuse to receive declarations of intention or file petitions for naturalization from aliens other than "white persons" and persons of African nativity or of African descent. By implication this excluded the Japanese, and since 1911 they have been denied papers of citizenship, with the exception of a few that were naturalized by the courts on account of their services in the armed forces of the United States in the first World War.

'LAW OF THE SOIL'

On the other hand, all children born of Japanese parents residing in the United States (including Hawaii) permanently are American citizens by the "law of the soil." This fact involves some difficult anomalies. These sons and daughters as American citizens have all the civil and political rights under the law which all other native-born citizens enjoy. According to the Federal census of 1940 there were 60,148 of these Japanese-American citizens in California alone. Among the 33,569 alien Japanese resident in the State in 1940, thousands were parents of these American citizens of Japanese blood but could not themselves become citizens.

There is strong evidence to indicate that alien Japanese parents were urged by the home government to register their children with the local Japanese Consul. This registration under Japanese law made the child a citizen of Japan. Being a citizen of the United States by the "law of the soil," the child thus assumed a dual citizenship. It is estimated that as high as 50 per cent of the Japanese born in the United States owed this dual allegiance in 1941.

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The Federal census of 1940 reported that there were 125,947 Japanese resident in continental United States, 93,717, or over 73 per cent, of whom were found in California alone. The States of Washington and Oregon followed with 14,565 and 4071, respectively. These figures add up to a grand total of over 112,000 located in the three Pacific Coast States, the danger spot of the United States after the attack on Pearl Harbor. The Japanese population was divided into four main groups. In their own terminology these constituted the Issei (ee-say,) or alien Japanese; the Nisei (nee-say,) or American-born children of alien Japanese parents; the Kibei (kee-bay,) those Nisei who had spent the formative years of their lives—roughly between 10 and 20—in Japan and had returned to the United States to claim their legal American citizenship; and, lastly, the Sansei (san-say,) or third generation Japanese, sons and daughters of the Nisei.

MOST DANGEROUS GROUP

The United States intelligence services have stated that the most potentially dangerous element in the resident Japanese population is the group known as the Kibei. Government agents hold that these people are essentially and inherently Japanese and may have been deliberately sent back to the United States by the Japanese government to act as operatives. One intelligence officer goes so far as to state that "in spite of their legal citizenship and the protection afforded them by the Bill of Rights, they should be looked upon as enemy aliens."

It is quite clear, then, that because of the unique complexities of the situation on the Pacific Coast after the opening of hostilities, the evacuation program as adopted, while not directly under consideration by the Supreme Court, needs no apologies. When the public is privileged to see more fully the urgency of the problem confronting our military authorities in 1941 and the action taken to meet the crisis, we shall applaud, rather than criticize, the decision made.

Let us not forget that we are at war with an implacable and treacherous Japanese military power sworn to destroy the United States and Great Britain. If the thousands of American citizens of Japanese ancestry are as loyal as they claim to be, they will go where Uncle Sam sends them without complaint. Those that continue under governmental supervision will be given protection and adequately housed and fed. Many others will pursue their education in schools and colleges outside the restricted military areas. If inducted into the armed services, as a considerable number of them have been, the military authorities will determine where and how such service is to be rendered.

American sons, brothers and fathers of other ancestry are going to dangerous battle stations across the "Seven Seas," and are going gladly. Let's be done with maudlin sentimentality, and on with the war!

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The clear statement of the need for preventing the indiscriminate return to this area of Japanese now held in relocation centers effectively spikes whatever plans may have been in the making by the War Relocation Authority to achieve that purpose. Recent Congressional investigation has shown the W.R.A. to be conducted in many instances more as a proving ground for social theories than as a serious war agency entrusted with a delicate and important job. There is no telling what

might have happened if this coast and its military protectors had not been vigilant to head off any W.R.A. attempts to permit the Japs to come back here.

On the other hand, there can be little criticism of the policy, now ratified in the new statement, of permitting certain approved Japanese to take employment in isolated regions where they can do no harm to the war effort.

In this connection, however, greater care should be exercised in choosing the evacuees who are to be permitted to leave the camps. In the past the W.R.A. has failed to conduct sufficiently thorough investigations. It was properly censured for this in Congressional inquiries. The recent riot in Chicago when released Japanese insulted the American Navy uniform is proof of the danger of this careless policy.

The present attempt to segregate obviously disloyal Japanese and put them in a separate camp should be pursued vigorously. Any doubtful cases should be put in this camp. The nation cannot afford to take chances. The President and Director Byrnes recognize this vital principle.

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And Still the Japanese Poll Letters Come In

The Times regrets that it has been unable to print the great number of letters it has received on the Japanese question in connection with its recent poll, results of which were printed on this page last Monday. Hundreds of letters were received even after the 11,651 which were counted up to the deadline. Two typical differing expressions of opinion on the Japanese poll are included on this page today as a kind of valedictory.

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There is a public obligation upon newspapers who, by reason of circumstance, hold a position of power and influence in a community. If they want the people in the community in which they serve to think and act in the best interests of the town, community and nation they must, by reason of this position, lead the thinking of the citizens along the proper channels.

Your recent questionnaire on the Japanese situation was certainly not in line with the best interests of the people of this or any other community in the United States. A more inopportune time to settle a problem of such magnitude could not have been chosen. Even though I, as many others, feel that the Tule Lake situation could have been handled differently, the main issue as to what should be done with a race of people who reside in our country must be left to a cool and level-headed jury made up of our nation's leaders.

If this cry for blood which you have started with your questionnaire should spread throughout the country it would ultimately discolor our entire postwar thinking. It would stand in the way of any solution which might be presented to help the peoples of the world live to-

week included these:

gether peacefully, thereby extending the period of time between these mass murders in which we now indulge.

Friends and relatives of persons against whom a crime has been committed are not chosen to sit in judgment against the accused, neither are we, as average citizens, in a position to condemn, judge and convict a race of people who are related to those who have committed what we consider a crime against our nation.

It is your duty to teach the people to be just and tolerant—especially tolerant and to think with their minds and not alone their emotions. In this way only will your newspaper, as well as other newspapers, help us as citizens of a great country along the road toward a peaceful relationship with our fellow man.

MARTIN O. VELAND,

Los Angeles.

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Personally, I feel they have forfeited all rights to ever return here to our West Coast. They lived here among us as friends. They went to school with our children, were their chums; came into our homes with them, and all the time they were here with the express purpose of perfecting treachery toward us. If I never see a Jap face again it will be one day too soon for me. That's my personal reaction.

However, this is the United States our forefathers builded for us that it might be a land of freedom and justice and a refuge for the harassed. To indulge the feelings I have toward these people, many of whom are, of course, (maybe) loyal, would be un-American. We don't deal in European purges, even when we would like to. I think we should take them as individuals to decide who may or may not return to their places among us—and give us a period for cooling off.

Surely we should continue trading those who are willing, for our own war prisoners now in Japanese hands. Humanity demands this.

And our Japanese camps should be under military control. This is war. They should be made to see what their fellow countrymen have done to them, that they are prisoners, not pets.

MRS. E. H. HORNER SR.,
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Some organizations, with unscrupulous leaders who are taking advantage of mob psychology, are not only indorsing plans to ban Japanese-Americans from their former work and homes, but are going so far as to urging that they be deported after the war along with those who were found to be disloyal. The loyal Americans of Japanese extraction are being defended but little against the vicious outbursts of racial hatred.

When voices are raised in their defense, the hate mongers have in some instances instituted "investigations" of the defenders. It also appears to have been forgotten that many American soldiers of Japanese extraction are serving well with our forces in Italy and elsewhere, to win this war, which is being fought to preserve liberty, equality and justice. It seems unfair that their families at home should be threatened with persecution.

While we are doing our best to defeat the treacherous Japanese of Pearl Harbor infamy, let us not forget that the Japanese-Americans who are loyal to the United States, are just as much entitled to the privileges and protection which we, who happen to be Americans of different extractions, are enjoying. Let us be fair—it is the American way.

K. T. (Molokai. Not of Japanese blood).

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in the White House:

1. He must prepare his annual budget message for delivery to congress early in January, asking new billions of dollars to run the country and the war for the fiscal year beginning July 1944.

2. He can try, although few expect him to succeed, to get congress to vote a higher tax bill than the one it has in the ovenow. Mr. Roosevelt and his treasury months ago asked congress for 10½ billion dollars more in new high taxes.

Congress, with election coming up, turned frosty and now is finishing up details on a program to yield only about two billion dollars.

The administration's "hold the line" program against inflation was built around high taxes and a rigid grip on wages and prices.

3. The President wanted congress to vote money to pay food subsidies to keep prices— and thus the cost of living— down. Congress in large part became icy toward that suggestion, too.

For a while the subsidy program looked sunk. But recently so much consumer pressure was used on congress that the mood of the men on Capitol Hill has become perhaps a little less unfriendly toward the idea. At any rate, there won't be a showdown until after Christmas.

4. War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes warned Congress against granting a flat increase of 8 cents an hour to the 1,100,000 non-operating railroad employees. He pointed out that Economic Stabilizer Fred Vinson already had turned them down. Vinson contended such an increase

Editor of Register: Santa Ana

Regardless of the space in large California newspapers used for propaganda against our American Japanese, it is difficult to get any space for an appeal for democratic justice in dealing with this minority group. The Register has been an exception in that respect. The poll in a certain Los Angeles paper on the anniversary of Pearl Harbor was well-timed to revive bitterness; but it does give us another opportunity to re-arrange our prejudices.

Youths are dying over the world supposedly to promote the Four Freedoms; Britain and the United States have set themselves up as exemplary patterns, and world guardians of democratic principles; however, certain pressure groups in California are advocating legislation directly opposed to those ideals. They condemn super-patriotism and racial discrimination in Germany and Japan; but do not recognize that they are helping to promote it here.

Certain large newspapers of California backed by strong pressure groups have kept a constant agitation against American Japanese. They have appealed to race hatred and war hysteria, encouraging all sorts of unfair measures in dealing with this minority group. They advocate holding in the same status as prisoners, large groups of American Japanese, two-thirds of whom are American citizens who have not been judged dangerous or even suspected of being disloyal. They wish to condemn and deport these citizens because of birth and racial characteristics, and not on individual demerit or wrong doing. "Anti-democratic forces are always better organized and more noisy than forces of good will." Often these anti-democratic measures are promoted by super-patriotic organizations. This was noticeable in Germany, where the later Nazi officials and the S. S. troops, supporting Hitler in his rise to power, were nearly all veterans of World War I, patriotic to the core.

Mere differences over problems of self-government at Poston and Manzanar (differences which would occur in any group, of any race, under similar circumstances) have been played up by certain newspapers to sound like pro-Axis sympathies.

I recently read a mimeographed copy of much of the testimony brought out in the Dies investigation at Los Angeles. No jury would convict an individual or group of individuals on the false testimony and misrepresentation of a disgruntled, discharged employee. The evidence shows just that, also much ado about nothing.

A recent release by the Office of War Information concerning the facts at Tule Lake Center discredits the extreme hysterical reports in many newspapers, also the accusation of mismanagement by the W.R.A. "The army, from the beginning, has been responsible for guarding the external boundaries of this center, and for controlling the entry and departure of all persons of Japanese descent. W.R.A. maintains order within the center through civilian guards, assisted by a staff of evacuees. The understanding of the W.R.A. with the army provides that when a greater force is needed the W.R.A. will call on the army," which always patrolled outside the camp.

We realize that the Tule Lake Center is of a different status than other centers. Some trouble makers have been sent there from other camps; no race has a monopoly on trouble-makers. There are some segregants there of doubtful loyalties, although they have not been convicted of disloyal acts. There are no war prisoners there. The O.W.I. reports that only a small group at Tule Lake were responsible for the trouble, many of the evacuees are children under seventeen, who together with the majority of adults had no part in the recent events.

Every Californian should read a recent book by Carey McWilliams titled "Brother's Under the Skin", which gives us the history of our Immigration Exclusion Acts and their significance. Mr. McWilliams says, "In the East, immigration was associated with Ellis Island, the Statue of Liberty, and the doctrine of the Melting Pot; while the Pacific became associated with the Yellow Peril. This interpretation became a favorite topic for yellow journalists and jingoists." I might add, especially of our so-called "greatest patriot". In the Atlantic the Open Door where 40,000,000 immigrants of NON-SAXON blood have entered; in the Pacific, the European Wall where the Exclusion Act of 1924 prohibited even the quota basis. According to reliable statistics, if Asia had been put on a quota basis in 1924, the number of immigrants from the whole of Asia would have been less than 600 a year; the Japanese would have been one hundred a year. The question of economic objections seem weak, when we read that between 1920 and 1930, two million citizens migrated to California.

Quoting from our former immigration head, "Just how did this breach with our tradition of free migration occur? How was it possible for a particular state to force its views upon a nation, which set in motion

a chain of events of world wide significance?"

The repeal of the Chinese Exclusion Act makes us interested in the history of its original legislation. From 1860 to 1876 federal courts were kept busy declaring Californian race legislation unconstitutional; however in 1876 with President Hayes, a turning point was reached. The federal government relegated the Negro question to the Deep South, and the Chinese to California. A sordid series of political conniving united these two groups to get discriminatory legislation through. Blackmailing was especially prevalent in presidential year elections. Civil rights legislation in the United States was for the first time committed to a policy of discrimination based on race — and national consciousness was stimulated throughout the Far East.

Theodore Roosevelt said "In its effort to carry out the policy of excluding Chinese laborers, grave injustice and wrong have been done by this nation to the people of China and therefore ultimately to this nation itself."

Elihu Root in 1906, said that no state should be permitted to endanger the international position of the nation. In 1913, William Jennings Bryan, then secretary of state, came to Sacramento to plead with the Californian legislature not to embarrass his country by enacting further anti-Japanese legislation; and in 1906 asked that the criminal and civil statutes of the United States be amended. He stated, "It is unthinkable that we should continue a policy under which a given locality may be allowed to commit a crime against a friendly nation." It is interesting now to read the benefits California and the world have reaped from the once-hated Chinese.

An authority states, "It is difficult to imagine a bill better calculated to further the hand of the militarists in Japan, than the Exclusion Act of 1924."

Pearl Buck says that we will permanently ally the Far East against the West if we do not adjust our ideas to Asia's renaissance. We Californians do surely not want to promote another and worse war by unfair treatment or unfair legislation against a minority group.

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JUSTICE FOR ALL

Editor: Since I agreed wholeheartedly with Martha Lewis in her opinion on the Japanese question, I find that it is my duty to defend her from the onslaught of the person who signed their letter "Subscriber."

"Subscriber" seems to forget that we are fighting the Japanese, not American citizens of Japanese ancestry. How is "Subscriber" able to attack this group; this person ought to know enough biology to realize that the Japanese-American kids that I went to school with had nothing to say about being born to parents of Japanese ancestry.

"Subscriber" also claims that their property would not be confiscated. Nevertheless, this person failed to explain how anything else but this could happen, if these citizens were banned from this, their country.

From "Subscriber's" letter, I see that now I am branded a "white Jap" and should be sent to Japan with the rest. Similarly, I am a "white Jew," a "white German," a "white Nigger," and a "white Wop." For if defending any criticized people, upholding the rights of our constitution or protecting the beliefs taught by all religions, means being branded anything but an American—I say, "I don't care!"

For you see, when I pledged my allegiance to my flag for eight any years in grammar school, I was thone of those who really meant to "with liberty and justice for all."

Respectfully,
A Believer in Freedom for All.

The "leaper" is badly informed concerning "exclusion acts." There never was a "series" of any such acts. There was an act before congress designed to keep Asiatics from entering this country. The big boys—large employers of labor—were opposed to such a law because it would give American labor too much independence. The Japanese government set up such a howl that the then secretary of state, the very illogical "silver-tongued orator" W.J.B., asked congress to make an exception of the Japs and he would negotiate a "gentleman's agreement" with them. This plan was followed, but needless to say, the agreement was never kept.

Looking at the question fairly, it seems that there will be plenty of room for all the little brown monkeys in Japan after this war is over, and if we have any brains left, we will see that they go there. They could never be happy here if they have any conscience, and if they haven't any, we don't want them here.

Concerning historians, I challenge "Leaguer" to produce a single historical statement saying exclusion was antifreedom.

Sincerely,

A. B. FOSTER.

J.R. P.D.

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KEEP UP FIGHT

Editor: Santa Rosa Parlor N. S. G. W., wishes to express our thanks to your papers for your assistance in our efforts to render aid to our state and nation.

We also wish to thank the thousands of loyal citizens who have signed the petitions asking exclusion of the Japanese from a part in our daily life. We will be safer and happier without them.

Signatures are coming in from all over the county. The heaviest per capita vote comes from Sebastopol, which knows what a misfortune it is to have many Japanese families in their midst.

Today there is a Japanese, born in Sebastopol, who attended their local schools and the Santa Rosa Junior College, who is broadcasting in perfect English from Tokyo, propaganda for the hoodwinking of the English-speaking nations. Would he be considered a good loyal American?

Let us keep up the good fight until total victory is ours and America will be safe for Americans.

Signed,

W. C. SHIPLEY, M. D.

WELCOMES TOLERANCE

Editor: With so many writers in these columns ejecting their venom on other Americans who happen to be of a different race, it did me so much good to read the article signed "A Youthful American." With the youth of America sticking up for the high ideals our country represents, I have hopes for a better world. Assuming we are a Christian nation, we should have a "plus religion." Quoting from an article in the "Upper Room" publication: "Hold fast that which is good! In these days when it seems that every good thing we have ever known is slipping, it is time to hold fast to those very things. We have noticed that when

a football team is pushed down the field to within a few inches of the goal line, the players are suddenly filled with extra energy, and are able to hold the line as they could not do in the middle of the field.

"Christian civilization has been pushed far down the field. We must gather our forces together, not only that we may hold the line, but that we may turn about and go up the field of progress. Prayer can help us to hold fast."

Yes, as a "Youthful American" says, "every country needs more Christianity and more of the love and ideals of Jesus Christ."

Today, as never before, the world needs to walk in the way of brotherhood.

L. P. ROBBINS,
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TOO MUCH HATRED

Editor: First of all I want it understood that I do not believe any Axis prisoners should be set free in time of war.

However, it does seem wrong to me to hear so much hatred of the Japanese voiced. Hatred, revenge and violence have never solved any of the world's problems. Let us try something very old, yet apparently untried—brotherly love.

We must remember, as Rev. Raymond says, that there are good and Christian people in all races. Holding our own race as superior to others is exactly the same policy that Hitler exercised in the education of his youth.

I hardly know how to say all that is in my heart. Of this I feel certain, there is no hatred in my heart for any person or race.

I do not mean that we should leave our shores totally unguarded. Do we not lock our doors against the theft of our property here in so-called Christian America? We must ever be on the alert against those who would selfishly take for themselves powers, privileges and wealth at the expense of others. But we must learn to guard against criminal individuals and not to judge a whole race by a few.

And don't forget, our own steel has gone into Axis munitions, especially Japanese.

A SOLDIER'S WIFE.

VOICES VIEW ON JAPS

Editor: Your editorial on the Detroit labor situation regarding the strike over the two negroes should give our Jap-loving citizens in this area plenty food for thought.

Here we have Christian Americans fighting for us on land, sea and in the air, and yet our so-called democracy and society bars them from equal rights, and I don't hear or see any voices or letters on their behalf. Why?

If some Americans are in favor of the Japs, for gosh sake let them go to Japan, I'll personally conduct a drive for funds to see they get there.

Surely our military chiefs know what they are doing when they ran them out of this area and don't want them back, and I am sure if some of them could see the military confidential files, it might open their eyes in regards to the activities of the most of them.

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Contributions on any interesting and timely topics are welcomed by this newspaper, but the editor disclaims responsibility for opinions and statements expressed in this column. Because space is limited, letters should be as brief as possible—not more than 200 words. In the interest of fairness, all contributions must be signed by the writer, although names will be withheld upon request.

oven, but they are still kittens and not biscuits, and in my opinion a Jap is still a Jap no matter where he is born.

Thousands, born, raised and educated here, have returned to live in Japan, and those that are still here still carry on their heathen worship, which should not be tolerated in this Christian country.

We have many Scripture quotations in regards to the Jap situation, but I think the Lord himself divided the sea and then closed it on the Philistines and if he could see fit to divide the Pacific and drown all the Japs, I am afraid I couldn't shed a tear.

In closing, may I remind the stay-at-home generals and politicians that when this war is over boys and girls now serving overseas and at home will have one of the largest voting block ever held in the U. S. and will have definitely the last say as to how the Jap situation will be taken care of, and as for me, that will certainly suit me, as I guess they have earned the right to do so.

Too many unsigned letters appear in the newspaper, are they ashamed of what they write or their names? Unsigned letters are like rumors and should be treated as such.

ANDREW HAY,
(Retired Major)
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Editor The Chronicle—Sir: Referring to the release of Japanese from relocation areas, a correspondent, in a recent issue of The Chronicle, says: "The writer has had intimate contact with these evacuees for over a year and is convinced that they are as loyal as any other racial group in American life."

This is a fair sample of the view of a body of deluded sentimentalists, who disdain the realistic view. Your correspondent has "had intimate contact with these evacuees for over a year" and has learned in that time more than those of us who have had "intimate contact" with the resident Japanese for more than 40 years and are convinced that no person is able to point to any Japanese and truthfully say that, as between Japan and the United

States, he is loyal to the latter.

The attitude taken by our Secretary of War, our Secretary of the Interior and the Relocation Authority with reference to the release of Japanese from these centers evidences the same abnormal credulity that characterized them and the Department of State before December 7, 1941, and resulted in the slaughter of 4500 of our boys and the virtual annihilation of our Pacific fleet. Watsonville. J. E. GARDNER.

Loyalty

Editor The Chronicle—Sir: After reading the varied opinions on the question of the loyalty of the Japanese - American citizen I should like very much to ask: Do you believe that the Americans born in Japan (and they are a goodly number) are just as good Japanese as the Japanese themselves? If you do then it should follow that the American-born Japanese are just as loyal as ourselves. I haven't been able to settle this question in a manner to ease my mind. And somehow I feel that the loyal American-Japanese should be glad to endure any inconveniences and hardships of the camps as their contribution to our country's safety in wartime.

S. E. HAYCOCK,

San Francisco.

Attainder

Editor The Chronicle — Sir: Those who decry all sympathy for the interned Japanese-Americans seem to suppose that to belong to the same race with criminals is to be criminal oneself. Since when is it American justice to hold a man responsible for offenses committed by his uncle or brother or forty-second cousin—or by someone with the same color skin or similar type of face? The way to deal with atrocities committed by the Japanese military is to fight Japanese soldiers, or bomb Japanese ships and industries, not to indulge in childish and unchristian orgies of hatred for people not known to have committed or intended any atrocities. If it is found necessary to prevent the internees from returning to the Pacific Coast in wartime, this should be for a better reason than our inability to understand the difference between the Japanese nation and the Japanese skin color and face.

Japan must be crushed, the nation, not the race. After all, the Chinese, our allies, have also been denied citizenship rights. The reason cannot be the villainy of the Japanese war lords. Can we Americans not get fighting mad, and still see things straight?

CHARLES HARTSHORNE,
Menlo Park.

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Editor The Chronicle—Sir: Hal
Waldo of Auburn decries the Jap-
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mind forget that the whites went
to Asia and to Africa and to
America. They seem to believe
God's full blessing rested on that.

Let us therefore accept as men
this small Japanese minority and
uphold in its true sense the Bill
of Rights.

Former Ambassador Joseph
Grew knows the Japanese. He
lived with them for ten years. In
a recent speech before college
students in New York he stanchly
maintained there are many splen-
did Japanese-Americans, who are
a distinct asset to our country.
He strongly approved the plan of
releasing them from the centers
as quickly as possible to normal
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If we live and let live we shall
all gain thereby. We are fighting
the Japanese nation not the
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RACE DISCRIMINATION

Editor: Mr. McClatchy is off the beam. The bill ending Oriental exclusion is born, not of "war hysteria," but of "democracy hysteria." Too many of our citizens are subscribing to the theory that all people are human beings—instead of being divided into lower animals and super-McClatchy-whites.

This is a very dangerous thing the McClatchys, because some-

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Letters To The News-Times

OBJECTS TO LEGION'S BAN ON JAP CITIZENSHIP

Editor News-Times: It looks as though once more too much con-

here for twenty-five or thirty years, have invested in defense bonds—some as high as \$1500—are facts not theories.

his, we will be limiting the ma- o war purposes. If we fail in important uses must be devoted ounce of material not essential to fill these demands every upon us for arms and ammunition mous demands are being made is free men and women. Tre- n which we Americans can live world of the future is to be one that victory necessary if the so that our country may achieve successful carrying on of the war ng every item necessary to the lent the vital importance of sav-

SOWING DRAGON'S TEETH?

To the Editor:

Let us consider some realities: We are not at war with the Japanese race, we are at war with the militaristic government of Japan. Just as we are not at war with the Germanic race, but with the Hitler government.

If we believe in the theory of receipts good and bad "races" then we are expenditures on the wrong side in this war and balance should be allied with Hitler, for he is the supreme teacher of "race su- working balance included Receipts fiscal year (July 1) Receipts fiscal year (July 1) excess of expenditures total debt increase over previous day old assets tion camp in this country, denied

every constitutional right, no American can truthfully say that he is free.

And there is not a single shred of evidence in support of a recent statement that 60 per cent of the Japanese-Americans are disloyal. I suggest the writer read the Tolan committee report, not the hysterical

DUAL CITIZENSHIPS

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Editor: The citizens of Australia have demonstrated their wisdom by denying entry to their country of any of the Oriental races including the Hindu.

So they have no racial problems; true they have the aborigines as we have our American Indian who in either case are now causing no trouble.

But if we foolishly open our doors to a flood of all Asiatics we would be making a grave error—we cannot assimilate them—we cannot raise them to our standard of living—we would be overwhelmed in time and have to meet them on their own basis of life.

We have no quarrels or hatreds for any of the other Asiatic races except the Japanese. but we do not want our country orientalized.

Let us treat all races honestly so long as they do the same by us, but if this country is to remain a free country and be safe for ourselves and our posterity we must keep it so by total exclusion of the Japanese (who hate us like poison), the Hindu, and main-

taining a limit on immigration of other Oriental races.

Our Chinese allies are a great and fine people and merit our assistance and co-operation, but we will be far better friends by preserving our present satisfactory relations.

Signed:

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OBJECTS TO LEGION'S BAN ON JAP CITIZENSHIP

Editor News-Times: It looks as though once more too much convention beer has befuddled the straight thinking of a resolutions committee.

At the recent California Legionaries' convention the following proposals were endorsed:

Japanese now interned be returned to Japan after conclusion of the war and a constitutional amendment to make it impossible for persons of Japanese ancestry to become citizens, regardless of birth.

Evidently proponent or proponents of these resolutions lacked both the logical reasoning and courage to include the millions of Americans of German and Italian origin many of whom are Legion members.

Because Japanese - Americans constitute a very small minority group is no reason why they should not receive the same consideration we accord the millions of Americans of German and Italian ancestry, the great mass of whom are unquestionably loyal to the U.S.A.

That thousands of Japanese-American young men are serving in the U. S. military forces and many of their parents, residents

here for twenty-five or thirty years, have invested in defense bonds—some as high as \$1500—are facts not theories.

To affront Japanese-Americans serving in our armed forces is poor policy for it is also a slap in the face to the friendly brothers and sisters and parents of these soldiers. Why penalize the loyal with the disloyal? Let the F.B.I. and the army separate the sheep from the goats.

Furthermore, this is no racial war. Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans, Asiatic-Russians and our own American Negroes are much needed friendly factors in this fight.

Though we preen our feathers and loudly proclaim ourselves exponents of fair play and the square deal if we introduce hateful Nazi methods at home we might as well haul up the white flag and admit that fascism has conquered here even though we might win this war.

Don't forget we're citizens of a democracy. "Let us endeavor to so live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry." (Mark Twain.)

W. CARL SPENCER
Costa Mesa, Calif.

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RACE DISCRIMINATION

Editor: Mr. McClatchy is off the beam. The bill ending Oriental exclusion is born, not of "war hysteria," but of "democracy hysteria." Too many of our citizens are subscribing to the theory that all people are human beings—instead of being divided into lower animals and super-McClatchy-whites.

This is a very dangerous thing for the McClatchys, because someone is liable to discover that the "negro problem" is caused not by fifteen million negroes existing in this country, but by the fact that "California Joint Immigration Committees" and their ilk have fostered race discrimination ever since the Civil War. This discrimination has obscured for many people the fact that the negro race is just another group of human beings capable of producing George Washington Carvers, Paul Robersons, Marian Andersons, and thousands more like them.

Mr. McClatchy should be chary of signing such a letter, for if we can deny citizens' privileges to Orientals, the negro might be next, the Catholic, the Jew, the Protestant—and in the end the Scotsmen!

Then where would McClatchy be?
KARL BARRON.

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If we know anything of history, we know that to violate the right of any minority is to jeopardize the rights of all. That so long as one American citizen is in a concentration camp in this country, denied

every constitutional right, no American can truthfully say that he is free.

And there is not a single shred of evidence in support of a recent statement that 60 per cent of the Japanese-Americans are disloyal. I suggest the writer read the Tolan committee report, not the hysterical statements of self-seeking politicians.

I feel very strongly about this whole question, because I am enough of a student of history to know that these race-inciters today are laying the foundation for a third world war, which war may well end in the destruction of the white race, as the latter would be out-numbered two to one by the colored races of the world. I know also that the en-

actment in 1924 of the Japanese exclusion act caused the collapse of the liberal regime of Japan and paved the way for the rise of the Japanese militarists.

Be not fooled. If we continue to sow the dragon's teeth, our children will know and suffer the armed men.

—CLARENCE E. RUST
Oakland, June 8.

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Editor: The manner in which Japan has massed in California her dual citizens can be guessed from the increases in the Japanese population mass: 1890—2,039; 1900—24,326; 1910—72,157; 1920—111,101.

Meantime they had gained partial or complete control of many farming activities. They thus displaced the old pioneer stock that had wrested California from Mother Nature. The latter had solved the engineering problems (levee building, pumping) of the once tule-covered bottom lands of the great Sacramento-San Joaquin valley. They also in the warm foothill belt had cleared areas of chaparral and of forest and had planted both deciduous fruit orchards and citrus groves. They also had made productive vast stretches of vineyards.

Then came the Japanese termites. Soon California had Nipponese strawberry magnates, potato kings, celery lords. White farmers meanwhile ruthlessly were crowded to the wall.

Americans still do not grasp how we blunder in giving citizenship to Japanese just because by accident of birth, they first see light under the Stars and Stripes. Very, very few of them acted, when they had the opportunity, to renounce the first loyalty they owed under the claims of Japanese war lords, to the mikado. Why not cancel all dual citizenships now?

H. J. McCLATCHY,
Secretary,
California Joint Immigration Committee,
Sacramento.

Ideals

Editor The Chronicle—Sir: Chester Rowell's article on June 15, 1943, entitled "Much Hysteria About Japanese-Americans" was both timely and intelligent. As a Christian and an American I am interested in the welfare of these citizens, and also those wearing zoot suits. The hysterical, pagan, vengeance-seeking, and hate-spreading comments, articles and speeches recently made by so many Mayors up and down our State, and also by the supra-patriotic Chamber of Commerce officials of many of our cities are certainly anything but intelligent and definitely anti-Christian. Why fight this terrible war if we are

going to wipe out all the ideals and liberties we are fighting for? How can we save the world for these Christian ideals if we don't achieve them in our own country? While we had not achieved them in America before the war, we seem to be farther from their realization than ever now.

It certainly must be unconstitutional to prevent any citizen, of any color, race, creed or status, from living in any section of this land he desires. If not, then those of us who still strive to live and act as Christians should see to it that it is made unconstitutional! It surely is un-American and un-Christian. The lights will never "go on again all over the world" if such things happen in our supposedly enlightened and Christian Nation.
J. MILLER.
Berkeley.

Army Relocation Center Control Held Desirable

Editor of The Bee—Sir: Nothing is being accomplished by all this argument about the return of the Japanese to their former homes. They cannot be left as they are and the real and only question is what is best to do with them.

The suggestion has been made to turn them over to the army for disposition. That is the only sensible and fair proposal I have heard. It is a military problem and the military authorities should be directed to handle it.

I am rapidly losing faith in the fairmindedness of a lot of people. The scandalous and lying propaganda against the Japanese is wholly unwarranted. The Japanese began emigrating to California soon after the enactment of the Chinese exclusion law. I came to Selma in 1919 and found most of the transient labor on the ranches were Japanese. They seemed honest, industrious, appreciative and sober. They were thoroughly reliable and understood the work they were doing.

They sent their children to our schools and they stood at the head of their classes. Japanese children won the friendship of the whites and no race antagonism developed. The passage of the law preventing the Japanese from owning or leasing land was a great disappointment to them but they took it in stride. No nationals ever have come to this country and made a better record than the Japanese.

Since this war began, the Japanese here have caused the government less trouble than have either the Italians or Germans. There is no reason whatever for any discrimination against the Japanese.

Unreasoning prejudice is placing the blame on the Japanese for the trouble which has arisen in some of the relocation centers. Manzanar and Poston have been mismanaged. If the army takes charge of the Japanese centers, there will be no more complaint about them.

I am surprised and disappointed to see The Bee taking the lead in this storm of disgusting and rankly unfair propaganda against the Japanese.

We do not expect anything else on the liquor question, but it should be possible for The Bee to treat the Japanese with due consideration. LEA W. TAYLOR.
1536 Second Street, Selma.