

Other highlights of the anti-sabotage campaign yesterday were:
1—The FBI extended its range into the Southern States, raiding the vicinity of the North American Aviation plant near Dallas, Tex., and enemy alien homes in New Orleans, seizing 21 aliens and large amounts of contraband.

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COAST NEARING CLIMAX IN ENEMY ALIEN CASES

The tense enemy alien situation on the West Coast moved close to the showdown stage today with the aerial activity over Los Angeles and reports that California Japanese flashed signals not only to the flyers but also to the submarine off Goleta.

Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, commander of the Western Defense Command, was expected to announce new military zones from which enemy aliens will be barred during a meeting here tomorrow with the evacuation committee of the State Council of Defense.

Department of Justice orders already have cleared over 8000 Japanese, Germans and Italians from more than 100 prohibited areas in California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona and placed nearly 100,000 others under a "curfew ban" extending two-thirds the length of the California coast line.

Reprieves for Some

While cries arose in Congress to intern all Japanese, alien or American-born, General DeWitt announced last minute reprieves for certain classes who might be harmed by evacuation from their homes.

He told Wallace Howland, assistant alien co-ordinator, that enemy aliens in hospitals or approved sanatoriums, those producing doctors' certificates showing their lives would be endangered by moving, and those who could prove they were more than 75 years of age, would be exempted from the evacuation order.

Authorities admitted some aliens would suffer hardships. Testimony describing such cases was heard by the House committee investigating national defense migration.

Real Hardship

One example was widowed Mrs. Rose Trovato of Monterey, a native of Italy, who recently was informed her son, Tommy, was "lost in action" at Pearl Harbor Dec. 7. He was a seaman on the U. S. S. Arizona. Mrs. Trovato also has a second son in the Navy.

Unless reprieved, she must move from the Monterey area where she has worked for 20 years because it is a prohibited zone.

Members of the House committee, headed by Rep. John H. Tolan (D., Cal.), said last night before their departure for the Pacific Northwest they would recommend tightening Army regulations already applicable to the Pacific Coast.

They will recommend every individual, citizens and aliens alike, carry identification cards to enter either a restricted or a prohibited area.

They may also suggest every resident of the United States carry identification cards and subm

them for inspection to properly constituted authorities when called upon.

"Just one enemy alien can do a great amount of damage," said Rep. Tolan.

Tentative offers reached the Federal Social Security Board to give work to some 20,000 alien Japanese, if military officials approve.

Idaho beet sugar interests offered to employ about 2000 Japanese dur-

ing the refining season, and California canneries and growers also offered to hire about 18,000 Japanese in areas outside the present forbidden zones. It was emphasized the jobs were seasonal and offered no complete solution of the alien problem.

Evacuation of alien Japanese and Italian farmers was boosting prices of some vegetables on the San Francisco market, and commission merchants predicted "conditions will get worse."

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SAN FRANCISCO EMPLOYERS COUNCIL

ONE FOURTEEN SANSOME STREET • SAN FRANCISCO • CALIFORNIA

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TO STAFF MEMBERS:

Because of an apparent confusion in the interpretation of orders issued by the United States Government, with respect to enemy aliens, this office has contacted the Enforcement Bureau of the Alien Enemy Act and has obtained the following general rulings.

In certain areas in San Francisco, enemy aliens almost without exception are prohibited during any part of the 24-hour day. A list of these prohibited areas is attached for your information. The only exemptions in the prohibited areas are in the cases of alien enemies beyond 75 years of age or those who are incapacitated through major illness or total physical disability. This does not include enemy aliens who are suffering from broken arms or legs, where removal can be effected without the danger of serious physical impairment.

With respect to restricted areas, this applies throughout the entire City of San Francisco and no alien enemy is permitted to be abroad in the restricted areas between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M., unless granted a permit to do so by the Government. These permits are issued only upon personal application of the alien enemy, supported by a letter in duplicate from his or her employer, explaining fully the reasons why it is necessary for the alien to be absent from his or her residence between these prohibited hours. Included in this grouping of enemy aliens, there are undoubtedly many janitors, servicemen and others, whose hours of labor necessitate their traveling from places of employment to their places of abode and any letters issued by employers in behalf of an applicant for a special permit in the restricted areas should definitely outline the approximate hours for which the permit is requested. These permit cards should be carried by enemy aliens at all times; otherwise they may be apprehended and placed in jail, if on the streets or places other than their abode during the curfew hours.

The Governmental officials have stressed the fact that the issuance of any general ruling is inclined to be more confusing than clarifying and have stated to us that they prefer to have the individual employer, in cases of doubt, take the matter up with their offices at Room 422, Post

Office Building (United States Attorney's headquarters).

Further, as a matter of information, all applicants for permits should be directed to this same general room number.

The above is intended to be generally informative only.

W. F. St. John

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SAN FRANCISCO EMPLOYERS COUNCIL

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PROHIBITED AREA NO. 19 (Effective Date February 24, 1942)

San Francisco County, all of that area included within the following boundaries: Commencing at the southeast corner of Pier #46, thence west along the south line of Pier #46 across the Embarcadero to the westerly line of the Embarcadero, thence north along the said west line of the Embarcadero to the south line of Mission Street, thence east to the northeast corner of Pier #14, together with all of the said portion of the Embarcadero and the piers and wharves fronting thereon, also

Commencing at the southeast corner of Pier #1, thence west to the point of intersection of the north line of Washington Street and the west line of the Embarcadero, thence north along said westerly line of the Embarcadero to the southerly line of North Point Street, thence west along said south line of North Point Street to the west line of Van Ness Avenue, thence south to the north line of Bay Street, thence west along said north line of Bay Street to the east line of Webster Street, thence north along said east line of Webster Street (to the south line of Marina Boulevard), thence northwest and west along the said southerly line of Marina Boulevard to the easterly line of Baker Street, thence south along said easterly line of Baker Street to the southerly line of Bay Street, thence west along the southerly line of Bay Street to the west line of Lyon Street (the east line of the Presidio Reservation), thence north along the said west line of Lyon Street (east line of the Presidio) to the shore line of San Francisco Bay, and extending offshore to the pierhead line from Lyon Street to the China Basin. All of which means the entire waterfront from China Basin to the Presidio Reservation boundary line, including the Embarcadero itself and two blocks back along the northerly shore line from the Embarcadero and North Point Street to Fort Mason and from thereon north of Marina Boulevard, generally speaking, to the Presidio Reservation.

PROHIBITED AREA NO. 20 (Effective Date February 15, 1942)

San Francisco County, commencing at the mouth is Islais Creek Channel running west to Third Street, thence north on Third Street to El Dorado Street, thence East on El Dorado Street to the shore, thence along the shore to the point of beginning.

PROHIBITED AREA NO. 21 (Effective Date February 15, 1942)

San Francisco County, the area bounded by Islais Creek Channel, easterly line of Davidson Avenue to the intersection of Mandell Street, thence east to the shore line, thence to the point of beginning.

PROHIBITED AREA NO. 22 (Effective Date February 15, 1942)

San Francisco County, commencing at the intersection of the southeast line of Donahue Street with the shore line of San Francisco Bay, running southwest along Donahue Street to Jerrold Avenue, thence southeast along Jerrold Avenue to the shore line, thence along the shore line to the point of beginning.

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**1500 JAPS MOVED
FROM TERMINAL ISLAND**

How the Army could act under such power was evident in Los Angeles harbor, where 1500 Japs were being removed under armed guard from the Terminal Island district.

General De Witt's orders were issued just before the midnight deadline placed 100,000 aliens in California under rigid curfew restrictions and banned 8000 from 28 forbidden zones.

Those who will be permitted to remain in forbidden zones, according to Assistant Alien Co-ordinator Wallace Howland, are:

- 1—Enemy aliens in hospitals or approved sanatoriums.
- 2—Those producing doctors' certificates showing their lives would be endangered by moving.
- 3—Those who can produce "reasonable evidence" they are more than 75 years old.

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Sabotage

Noted Chinese Warns Of Sabotage Menace

**Tenney Committee Hears Visiting Professor
Warn of Possible Black Dragon Acts in U. S.;
Communist Leader Tells of Support for War**

By JACK YOUNG

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24.—Danger of sabotage to United States war production through activities of a Japanese secret society, the Black Dragon, was voiced here today by Dr. Yu-Shan Han, Chinese visiting lecturer at UCLA.

Earlier, a Communist Party spokesman on the stand had pointed out that his organization for many years had played a leading role in combatting fascism and is wholeheartedly supporting the war against the Axis.

He pointed out that the nation's number one Communist, Earl Browder, as far back as 1938 had warned the nation of the necessity to combat the clique ruling Japan.

Appearing before the state legislature's fact-finding committee on un-American activities in the State Building, Dr. Han expressed the belief that the Black Dragon would be operating in this country.

The Black Dragon was Japan's fifth column in China and worked as the "first stage in military operations," through terrorizing the population with gangster assassinations and wrecking defense efforts, he said.

NO SEPARATE PEACE

As the "wisest move," both Japanese citizens and Japanese-Americans should be evacuated from the Pacific Coast area, Dr. Han advised.

"As a Chinese and a member of the Allies, I see a great need for education because many Americans are too gullible," said Dr. Han.

Dr. Han explained Japan's plan

for world conquest as he had learned of it through his studies and asserted that China would "resist to the end," and never make a separate peace.

Assemblyman Jack B. Tenney, chairman of the committee, previously had called to the stand Dr. V. A. K. Tashjian, former chairman of the control commission of the Communist Party in Los Angeles county.

Dr. Tashjian was asked to reveal names and addresses of Communist members by Richard Combs, committee attorney, leading observers to believe that Tenney is about to launch another of his red-baiting attacks, instead of continuing to track down Fascist saboteurs of the war effort.

Pettis Perry, county chairman of the Communist Party, made a brief appearance before the committee yesterday afternoon.

Questioned by Combs about the present policy of the Communists, Perry replied that it was one of all-out support for the war effort.

He called attention to the support throughout the years that the Communist Party has given the world anti-Fascist fight, and read from a statement made by Earl Browder,

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MORE ON TENNEY

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national secretary now jailed in Atlanta, in 1938.

In that statement, Browder asserted that if the United States ever were forced into war with "Japanese militarism," all persons should support it.

"We urge not only our members, but all the people we can reach to do all they can to aid the war effort," Perry said.

This, he said, included support of such organizations as the USO, the buying of defense bonds and stamps and the urging of unions to help speed production.

"We have constantly repeated that what is necessary is more planes, tanks, guns and other war materials," Perry said.

FIFTH COLUMN TECHNIQUE

Perry had been preceded on the witness stand by a trio of fifth columnists from the Friends of Progress—Robert Noble, director; D. H. Rathbone, printer, and Leone Minier, voluntary secretary—who held that the Axis powers already had won the war, which was a good thing, in their opinion.

Earlier Ben S. Beery, chairman of the local American Legion Americanism Committee, testified that investigations of his group showed such enemy propagandists as the Friends of Progress were undermining the nation's defense along six lines:

- 1.—Efforts to reduce the morale of the armed forces.
- 2.—Efforts to halt the financing of the war, through such means as advising people not to purchase defense bonds.
- 3.—Developing racial and religious hatreds, particularly aiming at the Jews.
- 4.—Developing suspicion of our Allies, directing the main attack at the British.
- 5.—Destroying the confidence of the people in the nation's leaders, such as President Roosevelt.
- 6.—Developing a spirit of discouragement among our people, trying to paralyze their will by such assertions as "we're licked before we start."

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Governor Is Urged To Remove Japanese

Approximately 100 letters and telegrams urging the removal of all Japanese from California have been received by Governor Culbert L. Olson during the last week.

M. Stanley Mosk, executive secretary to Governor Olson, who is in Southern California, said the communications, both from groups and individuals, asked that federal authorities be called upon to take both American born and alien Japanese out of California for concentration in the interior.

Mosk said acknowledgments of the messages have pointed out the matter of the Japanese in California is being handled by the federal government through the department of justice.

Many of the recommendations came from Southern California, most of them before the submarine shelling of the Goleta area near Santa Barbara and all of them before last night's air raid alarm in the Los Angeles district.

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Army Plans Wider Scope For Alien Ban

Oak. Tribune

**Curfew Restrictions
In Effect; Prohibited
Areas Combed by F.B.I.**

Feb. 25 1942

As Federal authorities surveyed prohibited areas in Coastal States today to make certain that all enemy aliens, except the aged and infirm, had evacuated, Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, of the Western Defense Command, was reported preparing to announce additional areas from which alien Japanese, Germans and Italians will be barred.

General DeWitt was expected to make known his plans at a special meeting of the evacuation committee of the California State Council of Defense in San Francisco.

More than 8000 aliens were barred from 46 coastal areas as of midnight last night, and curfew restrictions imposed at the same time in widespread restricted areas affected more than 100,000 others.

MAY ASK IDENTIFICATION

With the Army expected to widen the scope of the ban momentarily, the House Committee headed by Rep. John Tolan, of Oakland, was said to be considering recommending stringent tightening of Army regulation in prohibited and restricted areas. En route to Portland following San Francisco hearings, the committee was reported contemplating a plan whereby every individual, including American citizens, would be required to carry identification cards in order to enter prohibited or restricted zones.

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Tom C. Clark

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Army Plans New Evacuation Areas

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25.—(UP)—Thomas C. Clark, alien control coordinator for the Pacific Coast, said today after returning from Washington army authorities are preparing details of enlarged new areas from which aliens will be required to move.

The new areas, Clark said, will be designated by General John L. DeWitt, probably before Saturday.

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FBI Agents Mop Up Enemy Aliens In Forbidden Areas

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—(AP) Federal agents moved into forty-six forbidden areas in California today with orders to arrest or investigate any enemy aliens remaining in these strategic zones beyond the deadline of last midnight.

Only the aged and bedridden were permitted to stay. Others, some 8,000 in all, had to leave their homes and businesses in the areas or face internment for the rest of the war.

Curfew areas covering nearly one fourth of the state affected thousands of other aliens. They must have special permits to visit or work in these zones between the hours of 9 P. M. and 6 A. M.

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80 Raids In Miami Net 29 Aliens

MIAMI (Fla.), Feb. 25.—(AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation announced today that twenty nine Germans, Italians and Japanese were taken into custody in a series of eighty raids here.

R. G. Danner, agent in charge, said the officers confiscated guns, cameras, short wave radios, ammunition, exposed film, signalling devices and German propaganda material.

Among those arrested in Florida raids were an Italian prince and a German countess, both identified with high social circles.

Danner's announcement, which gave no names, said one German alien was held for internment hearing.

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Make Sure There Is No Fifth Column Here *2/25*

Editor The Chronicle — Sir:
May I disagree with some of the conclusions reached in Chester Rowell's column on February 19?

If martial law is required to perform some of the precautionary acts necessary for public safety then let's have martial law. That's what it is for. As for starting with the Territory of Hawaii, it seems to me that a more feasible method than that of deportation would be complete and rigid military supervision. Which is probably what has already taken place. It would probably also be wise to place the Japanese, Germans and Italians in our armed forces, where they would not be called on for combat duty or be placed in positions of any military importance.

I cannot see that we will have to tell the American citizens of Axis ancestry that their race is a permanent bar to their enjoyment of the benefits of ours and their country. Rather we will have to tell them that some of their liberties are to be curtailed until the menace of the Axis has been permanently removed. Incidentally, why do some officials squeal so much about the Japanese and never mention the Germans and Italians? Could this be race prejudice rearing its ugly head?

We have the statements of our national leaders that there is a definite danger that isolated attacks may be made on our coasts. Are we going to wait for these attacks before setting up the strict regulations which will govern us at the time? Let's have martial law, not just to move aliens but to prepare for war. Too many people are not awake to the deadly seriousness of our situation. Must they be awakened by the crash of bombs?

MRS. JACK W. McLEAN.
Mill Valley.

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13 Japanese Are Taken in Raid

Some Prominent in Business Circles

The week-end developed an unlucky 13 for that number of Stockton and San Joaquin County Japanese aliens rounded up in a series of raids conducted by federal, city and county officers.

Seized in the raids were several prominent leaders of the local Japanese communities, including officers of the only recently disbanded Stockton Japanese Association.

NINE JAILED SATURDAY

The nine jailed Saturday to add to four arrested earlier in the day, follow:

Seiji Yamagishi, 43, 138 South El Dorado Street.

Shakichi Ishimaru, 65, Garwood Road.

Takichi Miyata, 59, 113 South El Dorado Street.

Tadahi Murano, 47, 125 East Lafayette Street.

Taro George Masudo, 36, Lodi district farmer.

Juichi Fujimori, 53, 147 South Center Street.

Tasahuro Masui, 58, 20 North Main Street, Lodi.

Yohichi Hatada, 47, Acampo.

Gosuke Sasaki, 60, Thornton.

TAKEN TO SAN FRANCISCO

After spending the night in the County Jail the 13 alien Japanese were loaded into an army truck yesterday morning and taken to San Francisco.

The aliens seized here were part of 248 arrested in Northern California and 200 jailed in Southern California over the week-end.

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War in California: Intern Japs, Congressmen Demand; Sub Raider Is Still Loose

Alien Drive Is Intensified by 'Token' Attack

Western Congressmen, stung into activity by the submarine "token raid" near Santa Barbara, yesterday urged more severe restrictions upon all Japanese in California.

Meanwhile, a last minute reprieve permitting aged or bed-ridden enemy aliens to remain in forbidden zones was approved by Lieutenant General John L. DeWitt.

Representative Alfred J. Elliott told the House that Santa Barbara is in his congressional district, that the Japs had hurled 25 shells into it, and that "we must move the Japanese in this country into a concentration camp somewhere, some place, and do it damn quick!"

Citing reports that the Jap submarine had received signals from the hills, Representative Leland Ford of Los Angeles, said:

"We've got to move the Japs to areas where they can't do that kind of signaling."

Representative O'Connor, Montana Democrat, said: "Those Japs
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should be put in concentration camps and kept there!"

Aliens: More on Congress' Demand Japs Be Interned

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Sedition Hearing: Yu-Shan Tells Jap Methods, Warns Against 'Black Dragon' Cult

By EARL C. BEHRENS

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24—Fifth column activities among Japanese in California are being directed by the Black Dragon Society, secret militaristic organization of Japan, Dr. Yu-shan Han, visiting lecturer in the history department of the University of California at Los Angeles, told members of a joint legislative investigating committee today.

Dr. Yu-shan, a Chinese, made his escape from China last year following his return from a visit to the United States. He fled China when he learned via "the underground" that he was marked for assassination by members of the Black Dragon Society. He was on the staff of the American University of St. John's, Nanking, at the time.

Japanese atrocities in China were detailed to the committee by the witness. Dr. Yu-shan said he believed that all Japanese, aliens and citizens alike should be removed to concentration camps or areas.

The legislators, members of the Un-American Activities Committee, continued their inquiry here into charges placed before them by the American Legion of "enemy propaganda" activities which stem from Los Angeles into all parts of California.

The committee gave consideration to the moves now under way

to remove the ban against foreign language schools, particularly Italian and Japanese. Dr. Yu-shan told the legislators that the Japanese schools both here and at San Francisco were "not just language schools but were used to spread the imperialistic aims of Japan."

Dr. Percival D. Perkins, teacher of Japanese at the University of Southern California and once employed by the Japanese government, told the legislators he believed "the United States Government should take no changes," but should remove all Japanese from the coastal States.

Frank King, a former associate of Robert Noble, now a leader of an anti-war organization, detailed Noble's activities to the legislators. He testified that Noble, one of the sponsors of the pension group which ultimately grew into the ham-and-egg scheme, was sympathetic to pro-Axis groups. King charged Noble had made "a racket" out of his various organizations and for the past eight years "the chief source of his (Noble's income) has come from women, old and young."

Yesterday Noble justified the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor in his testimony before the legislators.

Witnesses were called to testify as to their part in the former activities of the German Bund and in various so-called peace organiza-

tions, which are said to be working under various names throughout Southern California.

The legislators then unsuccessfully sought to obtain testimony from Dr. Eugene W. Brown, a local leader of "Mankind United," relative to the work of that organization, which has headquarters in San Francisco.

Robert E. Combs, chief investigator for the committee, identified an Arthur L. Bell, San Francisco, as head of the organization, which, he said, "had taken in \$400,000 in the last three years."

Brown said he knew of Bell only as "the voice" or "the speaker," but denied any knowledge that the organization leaders had advocated any opposition to the national defense program.

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**No Curfew Law
Violations Are Reported**

Reports received today indicated that enemy aliens in the restricted parts of Sacramento and other places along the West Coast generally observed the 9 P.M. to 6 A.M. curfew initiated last midnight by governmental order.

The agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who are supervising the enforcement of the order, stated no reports of violations were made by the Sacramento police. There also were no reports of enemy aliens found more than five miles from their homes, which is included in the restriction order.

Special permits are being issued for those enemy aliens who must travel or be outside of their homes during the curfew hours. Several hundred aliens applied for these permits yesterday at the office of Emmet J. Seawell, assistant United States attorney in Sacramento.

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Pearl Harbor's Lesson ***

Editor of The Bee—Sir: Let us all think—use our heads for a minute and ask ourselves this question: Did the young native born Japanese living near Oahu and Pearl Harbor at any time disclose to military or naval authorities the impending Japanese raid on Pearl Harbor and Hickam Field?

Those native born Japanese failed and neglected to tell what they knew. They let over 3,000 of our men die for their failure to disclose the impending raid. They would do the same thing again—right here in California.

Why do native born Japanese call themselves Nisei? It is significant they use a Japanese expression in referring to their organization. And they are organized—as Nisei. We Californians know they cannot be trusted, concealing facts as they do, organizing under a Japanese name as they do, taking a Japanese tongue as they do, exclusively associating only with themselves as they do, traveling home to Japan in their youth as they do, steeping themselves in Japanese lore and traditions as they do, buying and selling exclusively among themselves as they do, etc.

I have lived near Japanese only a short time, but I have wondered from my first arrival here why Nisei call themselves second generation Japanese?

Fair Oaks, ERNEST LEHMAN.

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3—Additional CCC camps in New Mexico and Colorado were being prepared for the arrival of expected visitors, possibly aliens evacuated from California.

(In San Francisco, however, Alien Co-ordinator Tom Clark indicated California aliens would not be "dumped" in other States, claiming: "I think California can take care of the problem if the military authorities decide what areas are to be evacuated—and without interfering with other States."

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Antigay

Although Western Defense Command headquarters here remained silent, it was understood the forthcoming regulations will place new sections of territory under Army control, requiring evacuation by all enemy aliens and undesirable citizens.

Behind this move was a great wave of indignation stemming largely from Southern California—a wave that reached a new peak last night over the air raid scare which sent anti-aircraft guns into action.

All day yesterday, Governor Olson's office was flooded with telegrams virtually screaming for evacuation or internment of every Jap in California.

Curfew

Curfew Law For Aliens Hampers State Industries

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Exemptions For Night Work-
ers And Students At
Schools Are Sought

Emmet J. Seawell, assistant United States attorney in Sacramento, is endeavoring to straighten out employment complications in a number of Superior California industries as the result of the 9 P. M. to 6 A. M. curfew order for enemy aliens.

An urgent call was received by Seawell late yesterday from the authorities of Humboldt County regarding approximately thirty Italian nationals who were unable to report for night work at the Pacific Lumber Company yards in Scotia. Seawell said he referred the matter to the United States attorney's office in San Francisco.

Rush For Exemptions

Meanwhile, hundreds of enemy aliens in various restricted areas of Sacramento and Superior California are jamming Seawell's office in requests for exemptions from the curfew or for traveling permits.

Approximately 200 so far have been exempted from the curfew order because their work or attendance at school make it impossible for them to keep within their homes between 9 P. M. and 6 A. M. These exemptions are being noted on the certificate of identifications recently issued all enemy aliens.

Allowed To Travel

Seawell said enemy aliens who because of employment, business or other good reasons, are being given oral permission to travel reasonable distances outside the five mile limits of their homes. Those seeking to make longer trips must file applications with Seawell at least seven days before the projected journey.

Japanese Arrested Here

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation here reported taking into custody Banji Menda, 57, a Japanese alien of 221 Capitol Avenue. He was lodged in the city jail last night and booked as en route to the immigration authorities.

The FBI agents said Menda is considered as a "potentially dangerous" alien similar to the scores of others taken into custody during raids conducted here and throughout the state in the last several weeks. Menda is a storekeeper and has been in this country for thirty three years.

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Pro Jap.

Policy

On Aliens

Editor, **PEOPLES WORLD**, FEB 26 1942

It appears that the conservatives are out-doing the progressives in the matter of protection of minorities.

First we hear of The People's World praising the level-headedness of Mayor Bowron in dismissing all the American citizens of Japanese descent from Los Angeles city employment.

If our brother citizens are good enough for private employment, and state employ-

ment, they are good enough for Los Angeles public employment, especially office work. President Roosevelt put this matter in the hands of the army in order to avoid such examples of local hysteria.

Later we hear of the Los Angeles CIO Union Council passing a resolution calling for removal of all Japanese, including citizens. Even The People's World opponent, Chester Rowell, doesn't advocate such a broad mass movement of a special group of American citizens. He "does not want to provoke, by our attitude, a whole army of fifth columnists."

Incidentally, I think Attorney General Biddle was unfair to the enemy aliens, especially those brothers who fled from Germany, in allowing only five days to file an application (including a personal FBI investigation) to work during curfew hours.—B. B., Berkeley, Calif.

Editor's Note: People's World policy is expressed in its editorials; and no editorial has praised the dismissal of American citizens of Japanese descent from Los Angeles city employment.

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Please for Thomas

Forget Color Lines

Editor of The Bee—Sir: There have appeared many letters in this column attacking both alien and American born Japanese living on the Pacific Coast. To ascertain the present situation one must understand that most of these aliens have lived in the state between thirty and fifty years. They happened to be classed as aliens, not because of their own fault but because of their ineligibility to American citizenship. As to the status of the American born, the constitution of the United States clearly defines them as citizens of the United States.

With loyalty to the nation foremost in our mind, we too are Americans. In our group the number drafted and volunteering in the army is the highest of any racial class, in ratio to the population, in the United States. The internment and restrictions of aliens are a military necessity. That is easily understandable. But the intolerance and ignorance too can go hand in hand in the persecution of the minority race, just as it is happening in Europe today.

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We are not supposed to be, but actually are, fighting a democratic war of tolerance and justice. In it there is no place for racial antagonism in the struggle for our freedom. We should support every American soldier regardless of his race or color. As for the aliens, California and the nation need the cooperation and help of every loyal German, Italian and Japanese in an effort toward a quick, decisive victory over the Axis nations.

Woodland. THOMAS SATO.

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Nipponese, Says Oregonian, Are Becoming Sullen

ACTU. BEE—FEB 26 1942

Greater Danger From Fifth
Columns Is Seen In De-
layed Evacuation

PORTLAND (Ore.), Feb. 26.—(AP) A congressional committee on defense migration was told today by Walter Underwood, president of the Astoria, Ore., Chamber of Commerce, Japanese aliens, unable to hold their jobs in the face of increasing public censure, are becoming sullen.

The longer their evacuation from the West Coast is delayed, he added, the greater the danger of fifth column activity.

Astoria Fearful

He told the committee, headed by Representative John H. Tolan, Democrat of California, that a number of Japanese, formerly employed in fish canneries, live on the Astoria waterfront, and the town, twice destroyed by fire, fears another conflagration.

"In blackouts," Underwood said, "we have seen signals flashed from the waterfront. These Japanese are in position to see and report on any ships which might leave the Columbia River. We want these aliens moved at once."

Representative John J. Sparkman, Democrat of Alabama, a committee member, urged Underwood to advise Lieutenant General John L. DeWitt, Western Defense commander, of the situation at once.

Legion Wants Internment

Joseph K. Carson, Jr., commander of the Oregon American Legion, said the state's American Legion posts almost unanimously favored internment of all Japanese nationals east of the Cascade Range.

"Half of the standing timber in the United States is in Washington and Oregon, and nothing should be left undone to protect our forests," he said.

He added the Legion favored internment not only to prevent sabotage, but also to protect Japanese nationals from possible public violence and consequent reprisals in Japan against American nationals.

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**Maps Are Seized
In Alabama Raids**

BIRMINGHAM (Ala), Feb. 26. (AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation announced today six enemy aliens were taken into custody and a quantity of prohibited articles seized in raids in the gulf coast area of Alabama.

E. P. Guinane, special agent in charge of the FBI, said all the raids were in Baldwin County, near the Mobile shipyards and Fort Morgan at the mouth of Mobile Bay.

Articles seized included a pair of German made binoculars, four short wave radio receiving sets, three large five cell flash lights which could be used for signaling, four cameras, photographic equipment, and maps of the Panama Canal and of British military installations.

Searchers of enemy alien dwellings were made in Seminole, Elberta, Point Clear, Foley and Bon Secour, all southeast of Mobile.

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ALIENS

PEOPLES WORLD FEB. 26 1942

S.F. Unions Fight Bias In Hiring

ALIEN workers' problems were placed high up on the agenda of the labor movement by the San Francisco industrial union council's recent meeting. The Alaska Cannery Workers reported that it has had continual trouble with discrimination by employers and in the public employment offices against hiring of aliens.

The cannery workers and the CIO ship scalers' local are predominantly alien in membership. Most of the aliens are from friendly countries, even from allies of the United States. They are Spanish-Americans, Filipinos, and Chinese.

The unions are amazed at the refusal of the Army intelligence offices to permit these anti-Axis men to work, as in former years, on the waterfront.

But even worse is the barrier established through the state (now also national) employment offices by certain contractors in Alaska against any person of color—and in this the employer includes not only Negroes but Filipinos, Chinese and Mexican Indians, and everybody else not obviously of the white race.

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE

The Alaska Cannery Workers Local 5 in San Francisco is taking this case up with the federal government's Fair Labor Practices Committee. It seems to be a clear case of discrimination, with no argument that it is required for national defense or anything of the sort. The employer doesn't want to hire even colored citizens.

The council meeting last Friday heard delegates of Longshoremen's Local 1-10 tell of its support for Chinese and Negro Citizens who are discriminated against in the work of the civilian defense.

Also addressing the council was Charles Donnelly, an organizer of the London Transport and General Laborers Union, now a seaman.

BRITISH EXPERIENCE

He warned that English experience showed reactionaries in the government seizing the opportunity early in the war to put all militants into concentration camps under the usually false theory that they were enemy aliens. The labor movement fought hard for its members, and in most cases won their freedom—but it had to fight.

Labor also won places on all the committees investigating aliens, and was able to prevent many acts of injustice in England, said Donnelly.

Labor in England also takes this opportunity to demand an end of the oppression of certain British colonies, like India, and Donnelly himself urged the American labor movement to do what it could to work through the U. S. government to push the British government to grant home rule or freedom to India, especially, as a necessary war measure—to enlist the Indians in the fight against the Axis.

The council instructed its executive committee to see what could be done.

VERN SMITH

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California Japanese

How many Japanese reside in California? What other states have Japanese residents, and in what number? How does California compare in size and population with Japan?—MRS. G. N., and Others, Sacramento.

California has a Japanese population of 93,717, or 73.8 per cent of all the Japanese in the United States. The other 23.2 per cent of Japanese are scattered throughout the various states; no breakdown on actual numbers in each state is available.

California has an area of 158,693 square miles, with a population of 6,907,387 (1940 census).

The island empire of Japan has an area of 148,756 square miles, and a population of 72,875,800. The total Japanese area is 280,644 square miles (including possessions and mandates) and a population of 106,226,101.

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Farmers Ask Quick Action On Japanese

FRESNO, Feb. 26.—(P)—Spokesmen for California agriculture advocated immediate and final action on the Japanese problem at a meeting of the state senate's interim committee on economic planning here today.

The committee, of which Senator Robert W. Kenny of Los Angeles is chairman, was urged to "request the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the army to make a decision now" in the matter of the Japanese.

Leave It To Army

E. F. Loescher of Fresno, chairman of the state chamber of commerce's war agricultural labor committee, said that body is willing to leave the question of whether the Japanese should be evacuated entirely from the state to the FBI and the army.

"But," he added, "the Japanese situation has a large bearing on the labor and other agricultural problems of California and until the matter is settled, the war production plans of agriculture will be retarded."

M. W. Dula of Tulare and Frank J. Palomares of Fresno, manager of the agricultural labor bureau, testified that labor shortages and untimely rains were responsible for loss through deterioration in the cotton crop of the San Joaquin Valley.

No Plans To Increase

Dula, replying to a committee question, said the quotas for the next crop have been set and that at present there is no plan to increase production.

The committee opened the hearing here after the conclusion of testimony from representatives of industry and others in San Francisco yesterday.

Senator Kenney, who is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor at this year's election, explained the committee considered it more important at this time to consider immediate economic problems caused by the war than planning for an indefinite future.

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**Five Japanese Are
Booked In San Diego**

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 26.—(AP)—In a renewal of raids on enemy aliens by Federal Bureau of Investigation, naval intelligence and sheriff's officers, five Japanese were booked in the San Diego County jail today and at least twenty five more arrests are expected. No contraband was seized.

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Anti-Jap

Give Them An Island

Editor of The Bee—Sir: Please let me join Mrs. M. A. N. in her suggested place for all Japanese. It long has been my idea. Other states have no right to be asked to take them. Guards would make them safe for us and also for themselves. Better give them an island.
S. W. BROWN.
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Hawaii Japanese Ask to Help U. S.

HONOLULU, Feb. 25 (P)—Saying they knew only one loyalty—"to the Stars and Stripes"—155 Americans of Japanese ancestry today volunteered to Lieutenant General Delos C. Emmons, military governor, for "whatever service you may see fit to use us."

In the group were 121 students from the University of Hawaii. Their offer was immediately accepted and they began work as a labor battalion, constructing roads and other projects.

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2—In spite of vigorous denials from Alien Coordinator Clark, reports continued that CCC camps in Colorado and Wyoming were being prepared for arrival of Japs evacuated from California.

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those located in the agricultural areas are on excellent land and close to strategic forest lands.

For this reason, a request that the committee consider a recommendation for the removal of all Japanese will be made. It is likely to come from Joseph K. Carson, former Portland Mayor, and currently commander of Oregon State Department of the American Legion.

There are between 4000 and 5000 Japanese in the State, both alien and citizen. What has been done regarding them, as well as German and Italian aliens, is to be outlined by Elmer R. Goudy, State Public Welfare Commissioner. He will also represent Governor Charles A. Sprague, whose engagements at The Dalles will preclude his presence before the committee during its one-day session in Portland.

A plea for consideration of the Japanese without discrimination is also expected. Two spokesmen for the Japanese-American Citizens' League have requested to be heard and have been placed on the committee's agenda.

Most of the State's Japanese, both citizens and aliens, are concentrated in three districts, the committee was advised; Portland and Multnomah county, the Hood river apple country and around Lake Labish. As in California,

Mayor R. Earl Riley will be among the witnesses and probably will be questioned regarding steps that have been taken to date to institute an informal surveillance over Japanese. The committee was authoritatively informed that Mayor Riley did not wait for a Congressional investigation, but, immediately after Pearl Harbor, listed and fingerprinted the Japanese within his jurisdiction.

Efforts to learn what co-operation, if any, has been planned between California and Oregon are expected to be made. In the absence of Governor Sprague, committee members indicated they would question Welfare Commissioner Goudy on this matter.

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As public indignation over the latest Jap thrusts swept over the Nation, these were the chief developments:

1—FBI agents struck at Axis nationals in San Diego, Los Angeles, New Orleans, San Antonio and Norfolk, seizing at least 50 aliens, including a former German countess and an Italian prince, and stores of contraband.

5—FBI agents said they were investigating the cases of a dozen aliens who were reportedly living in forbidden zones after Tuesday's deadline.

6—"Loyalty" questionnaires were on their way to 508 present and prospective State civil service employees to determine their undivided loyalty. This first batch went only to those of Japanese ancestry.

7—Washington Township authorities, in southern Alameda county, disclosed "large numbers" of Japanese and Italian children are registering in schools there, indicating arrival of many alien families from forbidden zones.

8—The Navy stepped up the deadline for removal of 1500 Japs from the vital Terminal Island area in Los Angeles harbor, requiring completion of evacuation by this Friday instead of March 15.

Yesterday's campaign against suspected aliens was marked by the arrest of the former Countess Erica von Haacke of Germany and an Italian prince at Miami, three Japs in Los Angeles who were suspected of signaling with flashlights during the air-raid alarm yesterday morning, and a San Antonio Jap who had gas guns, gas masks, blackjacks and marked military maps in his possession.

Internment camp

West Coast Aliens Reach Internment Camp

BISMARCK (N. D.), Feb. 26.—
P)—The population at the Fort
Lincoln internment camp was in-
creased to more than 1,500 enemy
aliens today when about 700 more
Japanese were imprisoned behind
the high wire stockade.

The Japanese arrived on a nine-
teen car immigration train after a
three day trip from the West
Coast, joining others who were
brought here several weeks ago.

Among the aliens unloaded were
Japanese taken Monday by the
Federal Bureau of Investigation
from the fish harbor area in Los
Angeles.

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Tolan

Tolan Hearing: Incendiaries in Oregon's Forests Up for Discussion Today in Portland

By FLOYD HEALEY

Chronicle Staff Writer

PORTLAND, Feb. 25 — Oregon's vast timber resources are a cause of acute concern with the Nation at war and the dry season approaching.

Disastrous consequences which might result from a torch applied by enemy aliens will be described tomorrow to the Tolan investigating committee.

Members of the committee, headed by Chairman John H. Tolan of Oakland, received a forecast of the hazards to Oregon's forests upon their arrival here today.

The problem, prospective witnesses disclosed, is much the same as that pictured at San Francisco committee hearings by Wendell Travoli and Assistant District Attorney Leroy McCormick of Tulare county. A feeling is evident here, as it was in San Francisco, that unguarded Axis sympathizers could bring about a condition of chaos if sabotage were to be linked with Japanese invasion attempts.

Japanese, including the ni-sei, or second generation, are under the greatest suspicion, as in California,

but the suspicion is informal. The committee was advised it would be foolhardy to overlook or underemphasize the potential damage which could be wrought by Nazi protagonists.

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**Long Time Residents
Are Held By FBI**

FRESNO, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Two Japanese, one a merchant of nearby Del Rey, whose warehouse yielded rifle and shotgun ammunition to police raiders some days ago, are in federal custody here today.

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents arrested the Del Rey merchant, George Masumi Sakai, 44, native of Japan and resident of the United States for thirty five years, last night.

Tom Tokutaro Sakato, 63, Chowchilla gardener and a native of Japan, with thirty eight years residence in the United States, was held for failure to register as an alien.

The raid on Sakai's warehouse, conducted by local officers February 19th, disclosed a large quantity of the ammunition. The Japanese was quoted as saying the ammunition was turned over to him by his father when the latter retired and returned to Japan about five years ago.

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ROUNDUP OF ENEMY ALIENS PRESSED

While military aircraft patrolled the land and sea approaches to this strategic area, authorities pressed their roundup of enemy aliens and other persons whose activities during the emergency period were questionable.

Thirty persons, 20 of whom were Japanese, were arrested during the night and morning.

Police and Sheriff's deputies who rounded up the Japanese acted on complaints by air-raid wardens and citizens that some of the Nipponese were either attempting to signal with flares or other means, or refused to co-operate in making the blackout effective. Some were turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation; others were fined; still others were released to await court hearings on their accusations.

L. A. Times
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Anti-Jap

Some Questions

Editor of The Bee—Sir: As an American there are a few things I do not quite understand. Why people of Nazi and Fascist blood born in America can openly slander our government, our president and even the boys in service? Why are all such not turned over to the FBI?

Everyone of ordinary intelligence knows the Japanese are handling the American part of Hitler's three ring circus. There is plenty for the FBI to do in Sacramento.

W. J. BROWN

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Aliens: More on Army Rushing New Regulations

New Army Alien 'Laws' In 48 Hours

U. S. Army officials, rushing to strengthen California's protection against sabotage, will announce a new set of restrictions for enemy aliens within 48 hours.

In addition, Government authorities stated, the new orders will bring 60,000 American-born Japanese under military control.

Prediction that the Army would act quickly, probably before Saturday, came from alien control coordinator Tom Clark in Los Angeles.

"We do not plan a mass evacuation," he said. "The deadline will be set with a view to allow them time to move voluntarily."

"When the deadline is reached, we will take out all aliens and any American-born Japanese we think necessary."

HOWLAND SAYS, TOMORROW

In San Francisco, assistant coordinator Wallace Howland claimed the new order will be announced even earlier—probably sometime tomorrow.

Typical of the telegrams swamping the Governor's office yesterday was one from Los Angeles bearing 10 signatures, demanding authorities "remove from this State all Japanese, both American-born and alien at once."

"For God's sake, don't let of-

ficial bungling and red tape and other suicidal niceties pussyfoot us into another Pearl Harbor here," it read.

Another from a Los Angeles woman said: "Each new hour that a single Jap is at liberty in this State is an hour we might tragically regret."

In Santa Barbara, District Attorney Percy Heckendorf declared: "We want absolute control of aliens and American-born Japanese alike. It is up to the Federal Government. We are giving all the warning that we can."

In Washington, where Western Congressmen increased the fury of their attacks on Japanese, Representative A. J. Elliott asserted: "It is the height of folly to procrastinate. Remove all alien and American-born Japanese immediately. This is serious!"

American Born Be Ousted Fr

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—(P)—Plans to designate additional prohibited areas from which not only enemy aliens but "any American born Japanese we think necessary" will be ousted were disclosed by Tom C. Clark, alien control coordinator.

He announced in Los Angeles last night Lieutenant Colonel John L. DeWitt, Western Defense commander, is preparing detailed descriptions of the additional military areas and said they should be ready for designation Saturday.

No Mass Evacuation

"We do not plan any mass evacuation," he said. "The deadline will be set with a view to allow them time to move voluntarily. When the deadline is reached we will take out all aliens and any American born Japanese we think necessary."

The announcement followed closely the evacuation of some 8,000 enemy aliens from forty six prohibited areas. Federal Bureau of Investigation agents are checking to make sure the evacuation order has been followed. Other thousands of enemy aliens in still other sections are living under a strict curfew regulating their movements at night.

Agents said they are investigating cases of a dozen aliens reportedly still living in forbidden zones after the Tuesday midnight deadline. They inspected the municipal airport area in Los Angeles to make sure the 2,800 aliens there had obeyed. Clark said they all had moved prior to the deadline.

Demands Spurred

Meanwhile, two war incidents in Southern California in less than a week spurred demands for the ouster from strategic areas of all Japanese—aliens and citizens alike.

Demands poured in on Governor Culbert L. Olson. Supervisors of Riverside County joined with other factions in seeking removal of the aliens. District Attorney Percy Heckendorf of Santa Barbara County, where an enemy submarine shelled an oil field, sought to have the county declared a restricted area.

The navy moved ahead from March 15th to tomorrow the deadline for the evacuation of approximately 1,000 Japanese from Terminal Island, navy base in Los Angeles.

Ten Los Angeles residents followed up yesterday's air raid warning there with a demand for the removal of all Japanese from the state.

Want No Pussyfooting

"For God's sake, don't let official bungling and red tape and other suicidal niceties pussyfoot us into another Pearl Harbor here," they said in a telegram to the governor.

Assembly Speaker Gordon Garland of Woodlake joined in the ouster demand. He told a town hall luncheon in Los Angeles the incidents of the week bring home the danger "to our war effort involved in the continued presence of large numbers of Japanese, both alien and American born."

A proposal for drafting Japanese into an "agricultural division" at pay equivalent to that of soldiers and sailors, was submitted by the Pacific League Alien Problem Conference, made up of representatives of state, county and city governments and other organizations.

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CO-ORDINATE POLICE.

Meanwhile, Nat J. L. Pieper, special agent in charge of the San Francisco office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), launched a series of conferences with local law enforcement officers to co-ordinate police activities in enforcing the new regulations.

Meetings have already been held in Redding, Sacramento and Modesto, and others are scheduled for Santa Rosa, Palo Alto, Eureka, Oakland and Watsonville.

Pieper disclosed that co-ordinated efforts in the northern California district have already resulted in arrest of 722 enemy aliens and seizure of vast quantities of contraband weapons, ammunition, cameras and signaling devices.

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Stockton Aliens Are Raided By FBI And Aides

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Homes Are Searched For
Contraband Articles,
Evidence

STOCKTON (San Joaquin Co.), Feb. 26.—(AP)—Acting on information they said was obtained in previous raids, fifteen Federal Bureau of Investigation agents, assisted by thirty local police officers and deputy sheriffs, began a roundup in the Stockton area at dawn today of suspected enemy aliens and their property.

In Stockton herself, the raids centered in the zone surrounding the army air corps' advanced training base.

Certain Aliens Are Sought

The officers carried presidential apprehension warrants for the arrest of certain Japanese aliens whom the FBI said its investigation had identified as leaders of secret Japanese organizations.

The raiders also were armed with search warrants for the premises of other Japanese noncitizens, as well as of a few German and Italian aliens. The FBI said all these persons were reportedly in possession of contraband.

Some of the information on which the warrants were based came from the records and correspondence of Japanese secret societies seized in the roundup of potentially dangerous enemy aliens throughout Northern California last weekend.

Aid Japanese Navy

One such organization, the FBI reported, is a Japanese nationalist group formed to collect funds for the imperial army and navy.

Today's raids were being conducted under the FBI law enforcement officers mobilization plan for national defense. The officers from the Stockton police force were under the leadership of Police Chief H. A. Vogelsang, and the deputies were in charge of Martin Ansbro, sheriff of San Joaquin County.

The FBI said it has combined its own information with that collected by military and naval intelligence in planning the roundup.

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Arrest Of All Japanese Is Urged

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. — (AP) — Senator Stewart, Democrat of Tennessee, urging prompt action on his bill directing that all Japanese within the United States be taken into custody, told the senate today every one of them at large in this country constituted a threat to the defense program.

"The presence of Japanese in America is inimical to the interests of the people," he said. "We should oust them from our land and now is the opportune time."

Stewart's bill would direct the secretary of war to take into custody "any person who is considered by the laws of any foreign power with whom we are at war to be a citizen of such nation and is of a race or nationality ineligible to naturalization in the United States".

Stewart charged the Japanese "are cowardly and they are immoral," and no Japanese "who ever lived," should "have the right to claim American citizenship."

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Hearings Biddle

3—U. S. Attorney General Biddle

disclosed results of hearings of the first 1084 enemy aliens seized since December 7. Of these, 448 were ordered interned, 421 released on parole, and 215 released outright. An additional 4067 aliens are still held for hearings.

4—A hundred Japs, seized in recent FBI raids in Northern California, were given hearings before a civilian board here before being sent to concentration camps.

Action by Attorney General Biddle brought final settlement to the cases of the first 1084 enemy aliens seized since Pearl Harbor. After reviewing details of each hearing, he released 215 of them.

They included cases of mistaken identity—aliens whose nationality was found to be other than Japanese, German or Italian—and persons picked up on suspicion when found in the company of Axis aliens who were marked for apprehension in the first general roundup.

The paroles given to 421 persons require they report at regular intervals to a citizen sponsor, described by Biddle as "a reputable United States citizen who knows the alien personally, and will vouch for his good behavior," and to the nearest parole officer of the immigration service.

Parole infraction sare punishable by internment.

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**More Aliens Are
Held In New Orleans**

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 26. (AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation today announced arrest of seventeen additional enemy aliens last night, the third successive of raiding, along the waterfront, in the vicinity of the naval station and along the industrial canal. A large quantity of contraband was seized.

A total of seventy one enemy aliens now have been arrested here.

FBI agents and police seized twenty one pistols, three rifles, twenty four shotguns, 507 rounds of ammunition, fifteen cameras, twenty three radios, twelve flares, two binoculars, one bayonet and one machete. All such material was ordered turned in by aliens several weeks ago.

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Contraband Seized

Constable Ellis Barry today announced the seizure of a large amount of contraband from two Japanese families of Bryte, Yolo County. No arrests were made.

Barry said a large spotlight, ammunition, a shortwave radio set and radio parts were found in a garage owned by James Bettencourt. The latter told the constable he had allowed the Japanese to use his garage during rainy seasons. He said he notified the authorities as soon as he discovered the nature of the articles.

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REMOVAL OF ALL COAST JAPS DEBATED

Feb 27, 1942
Oakland Tribune

Consideration of a new bill ordering the War Department to arrest all Japanese aliens throughout the Nation began in the U.S. Senate today as new military decrees were expected momentarily banning all Japanese from California West of the Sierra.

The new legislation was introduced by Senator Stewart (D., Tenn.) who urged immediate action.

His bill would direct the Secretary of War to take into custody "any person who is considered by the laws of any foreign power with whom we are at war, to be a citizen of such Nation and is of a race or nationality ineligible for naturalization in the United States."

Japanese are "ineligible for naturalization."

Of California's 93,000 Japanese, 33,000 are aliens.

The new military decrees adding to 111 areas in California, Oregon

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Military Decrees Expected Hourly; F.B.I. Raids Go On; Morgenthau Says All Nipponese to Be Taken From Coast

Roosevelt Orders Navy to Control All Harbor Facilities Throughout Nation

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and Washington already barred to Japanese, German and Italian nationals were expected to be issued by Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt of the Western Defense Command either today or tomorrow.

It was predicted that General DeWitt, acting under presidential authority recently granted to him, might issue orders affecting thousands of American-born Japanese as well as aliens.

'EAST OF SIERRAS'

Assistant United States Attorney Norman Neukom said he had received "information from an authoritative source" that all San Diego Japanese, including the American-born second generation, would be ordered to move to areas "somewhere east of the Sierra."

He said he anticipated the order would come today.

Confirming reports that some persons were trying to force aliens to dispose of their property at "ridiculous prices," Neukom said the Government would safeguard the holdings of any persons who were moved out of the coastal area. He said his advice to aliens was to "sit tight and await the Government's action."

10,000 OUSTED

Some 10,000 enemy aliens have already been ousted from the 111 coastal military zones.

Meanwhile, President Roosevelt ordered the Navy to take over supervision of every harbor and waterfront facility in the Nation.

Although the presidential order was silent on the point, it was believed that the move was being taken in an attempt to prevent repetition of another "Normandie incident." The big French liner burned at her pier in New York two weeks ago under mysterious circumstances.

WAR PRODUCTION

2—Spokesmen for California agriculture appearing before a State Senate Interim Committee on economic planning urged immediate settlement of the Japanese question in order to clarify the war production situation.

3—Associated Press dispatches disclosed that the alien internment camp at Fort Lincoln, N.D., already has a population of 1500. Seven hundred Jap aliens arrived there in a special 10-car train recently.

Most of them had been taken into custody in California.

4—Despite denials by Federal officials, authorities in Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming still insisted the Government was planning to house enemy aliens in abandoned CCC camps there.

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Justice in Evacuations Urged by U. C. Provost

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Justice and fair play must prevail in the forced evacuation of aliens from strategic areas, Monroe E. Deutsch, vice president and provost of the University of California, told a Citizens for Victory luncheon yesterday at the Union League Club.

Doctor Deutsch declared aliens, many of whom are undoubtedly loyal to the institutions of this country, must not be subjected to undue hardships when they are evacuated.

He said second generation citizens of Italian, German and Japanese ancestry must be dealt with justly also, and asserted discrimination against minority racial groups in the country must stop if the war effort is to succeed.

Lieut. Comdr. Paul C. Smith, Navy Department press officer, who returned for a brief trip to San Francisco this week, told the luncheon America must prepare itself for a long war, for the possibility of temporary defeat for the Allies and for major readjustments in the post-war era.

"We will win the war regardless of what it costs or how long

it lasts," Commander Smith declared.

He asserted major political and economic readjustments after the peace might call for even greater sacrifices on the part of the American people.

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JAPS NEAR ARMY AIR BASE SEIZED

Stockton Scene of New Roundup; Black Dragon Leaders Sought

The roundup of California's "dangerous enemy aliens" swung to the Stockton area yesterday as more than two score FBI agents and local officers raided numerous Japanese establishments in the vicinity of the Army's advanced flying school there.

Acting on information gleaned from records seized in recent extensive raids, and from the files of Army and Navy intelligence, the raiders were seeking leaders of Japanese secret organizations, including the notorious Black Dragon Society.

ROUNDUP CONTINUES.

Raids were still in progress last night after six Japanese had been arrested and large quantities of contraband seized. Other developments in the alien situation were:

1—FBI officials in Washington disclosed that their activities against espionage, sabotage and other fifth column activities have led thus far to the arrest of 4,151 enemy aliens, including 3,250 Japanese, and the seizure of huge quantities of explosives, ammunition, firearms and other contraband.

2—Spokesmen for California agriculture, appearing before the Senate Interim Committee on economic planning, urged immediate settlement of the Japanese question, in order to clarify the war production situation.

In the Stockton raids, Hichienon Fujii, 65 year old farmer of French Camp, was the first arrested. His property adjoins that of the advanced Air Corps training base, and a shortwave radio set was found in his possession.

IN CONTRA COSTA.

The search for a close associate of Fujii's took agents as far as Brentwood, Contra Costa County, where they arrested Nobuo Mikami, teacher in Japanese language schools both in Brentwood and in Stockton.

After a box of .22 shells, and a photograph of Mikami in the uniform of a Japanese Army officer had been discovered, the alien admitted he is a reserve cupied territory in China.

FBI agents said he is an official of a Japanese association formed to advance interests of his country in America.

Others held at Stockton included Tomekichi Ito, 57, under inquiry as a possible relative of the former Japanese Premier who has the same surname; Naoichi

Okamoto, 54; Saduichi Yamamoto, 59, and Kabuo Ueda, 45. Two or three of these were believed to be Jap Army reserve officers.

Contraband seized included cameras, motion picture equipment, shotgun shells, a long bow with four arrows, a set of signal flags and records of secret Jap organizations.

OFFICIAL ARRESTED.

In San Francisco, another official of the association, Toshi Kinoshita, was arrested in his home at 3608 Sacramento Street.

Statistics released in Washington disclosed that more than 80,000 rounds of ammunition have been confiscated from Japanese in coast States since the outbreak of war—all of it after aliens were ordered to turn in such materials.

CONTRABAND LISTED.

Seized contraband included more than 1,000 pieces of fireworks, suitable for signaling; two short wave transmitting sets; 207 short wave receivers; photographs of American battleships and Pacific coast fortifications; 190 guns, 337 swords and knives, and large numbers of cameras, flashlights and binoculars.

Although no formal announcement has come from Government agencies, disposition of the seized aliens was clearly disclosed in Associated Press dispatches from Bismarck, N. D., which related that the Fort Lincoln internment camp now has a population of 1,500.

Of these, 700 were newly arrived Japanese, chiefly from Terminal Island in Los Angeles. Prior dispatches disclosed that CCC camps in New Mexico also are being converted into concentration camps for aliens.

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NEW RAIDS BY F.B.I. NET SIX ALIENS

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Wholesale raids by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents, sheriff's deputies and police in Oakland, the Moffett Field-Mountain View area, and Madera, netted six more Japanese and German aliens in continuing anti-sabotage and fifth columnist roundups.

Another Japanese who claimed Oregon as his birth-place was arrested in Oakland.

Large quantities of contraband including binoculars, rifles, ammunition, cameras, short-wave radio receivers and shotguns were seized virtually on the edge of strategic Moffett Field, Army air base soon to be taken over by the Navy, N. J. L. Pieper, special agent in charge of F.B.I. activities in Northern California, said.

Arrested in Oakland were:

Gretchen Bechtel, 2832 Werner Court, German alien proprietress of the "Hikers' Rest." She was taken into custody on a "presidential warrant."

John Hideo Ura, 19, of 2325 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito who was held for investigation after his mysterious actions in driving through Walnut Creek and Lafayette with the lights switched off in his car aroused suspicion. He talked glibly of "working with the F.B.I."

NABBED NEAR MOFFETT

Arrested as potentially dangerous enemy aliens in the Moffett Field-Mountain View sector and booked for possession of contraband and suspicion of espionage, were:

Mosaburo Hoshi, Tokuritsu Morita, 55, Kaneshiro Shinta, 35, T. Yonemoto, 63, and Keichi Matsu-shima, 63.

Twenty-six F.B.I. agents aided by Santa Clara deputy sheriffs and police from Mountain View and Sunnyvale conducted the lightning raids in the Moffett Field area in which 32 Japanese were questioned in homes, ranches and business establishments.

Pieper said photographs of Emperor Hirohito and of the Japanese Army in action were seized in the Del Monte Hotel and Cafe in Mountain View, suspected gathering place for subversive aliens.

'HANGOUT FOR JAPS'

Shinta lived at the place which Pieper described as "a hangout for lower-class Japs."

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Enemy Aliens

Raids Go On; New Control Bill in Making

FBI agents struck again yesterday at sabotage plots and hidden stores of arms and munitions throughout California.

By early last night they had seized nearly a dozen Japanese, including a former Jap army officer, in raids in San Francisco, Fresno, Chowchilla, Brentwood, San Diego, and the U. S. Army air base at Stockton.

Contraband included illegal short-wave radios, guns, ammunition, signal flags and flashlights.

At Western Defense Command headquarters here, military authorities were completing new orders to oust enemy aliens from additional strategic areas, and place unwanted citizens under Army control.

MORE BANS URGED

Authorities expected Lieutenant General DeWitt to announce details within the next 24 hours.

As the West Coast still echoed to demands for increased restrictions on all Japanese, these were other highlights of official action:

1—In Washington, D. C., the Senate was considering a new bill ordering the Secretary of War to seize all Japanese within the United States.

2—A 19-car special train brought 700 Jap aliens to the Fort Lincoln concentration camp near Bismarck, North Dakota. Most had been seized in California.

3—State Health Officer Bertram Brown ordered all State-licensed canneries to keep aliens from operating food sterilization machinery.

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George Masumi Sakai, 44, who had lived here for 35 years, was in custody at Fresno after local police had found a huge cache of ammunition in his grocery warehouse.

Officers said Sakai claimed the ammunition was turned over to him by his father when the latter retired and returned to Japan about five years ago.

FIXED BAYONETS FLASH

Soldiers with fixed bayonets were guarding Terminal Island last night as 200 Jap families raced against time to evacuate the area by midnight tonight. Church and Government workers were aiding the enforced move.

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Japanese to *Monterey Peninsula Herald* Be Removed?

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Forced Mass Evacuation Rumored as Army Prepares Program

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 27 (P)—

A report that Japanese residents in this vital military sector are to be shipped "somewhere east of the Sierras" came from the United States attorney's office, stirring talk anew today of the ultimate disposal of California's 93,000 Japanese, 33,000 of whom are aliens.

Norman Neukom, assistant U. S. attorney, said he was told authoritatively that evacuation orders were being drawn up, affecting the American-born second generation as well as alien Japanese in San Diego county.

UP TO ARMY

Such removal orders would be made by the army under authority recently given by President Roosevelt to set up military zones from which military authorities could exclude anyone.

Complete evacuation of Japanese from California has been discussed increasingly in numerous quarters since the submarine shelling of the Santa Barbara coastline area and the anti-aircraft fire at Los Angeles on unidentified planes.

WANT DECISION "NOW"

Other developments included the testimony before the Tolan congressional committee at Portland, Ore., of Mayor Earl Riley of Portland asking the evacuation of all Japanese from the Pacific coast to the east side of the Rocky Mountains; and the demand by California agriculturists at a state senate committee hearing at Fresno, Calif., that the federal authorities "make a decision now" on the Japanese removals because of farm labor difficulties.

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All through the day FBI agents struck at sabotage plots and hidden stores of arms and ammunition. By early last night they reported seizing one German and at least 33 Japanese, including a former Jap army officer, in raids in San Francisco, Chowchilla, Brentwood, San Diego and the U. S. Army air base at Stockton.

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In the East they arrested 44 aliens, mostly Germans and Italians, at Savannah, Newark, N. J., Sioux Falls, S. D., Albany, Birmingham, Dallas, and parts of Virginia across the Potomac river from the Nation's capital.

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Aliens Await New Orders

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Alien and American-born Japanese awaited with mounting apprehension today for new Army regulations barring them from additional sections of California, Oregon and Washington.

Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, commanding the Western Defense Command, was expected to issue the orders under authority granted by President Roosevelt.

Reports were current that he would go far beyond original regulations laid down by the Department of Justice which ordered the evacuation of nearly 100 zones in California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona, and placed curfew restrictions on other large areas.

More than 8000 aliens already have been forced to move from areas close to docks, airports, manufacturing establishments, oil field and power plants. The new order is expected to affect perhaps even one of the 150,000 or more enemy aliens residing in the four western states.

Whether it would call for outright evacuation of these residents and even their American-born children, in the case of Japanese, was

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known only to Army authorities. Nor was it known whether they would be completely cleared from the coastal states, as hundreds of organizations and citizens have demanded.

Even Japanese-American leaders agreed that Japanese should be removed from the coast in an effort to forestall possible fifth column activity.

Testifying yesterday before the congressional committee on defense migration in Portland, Hito Okado, national treasurer of the Japanese-American Citizens League, said aliens should be evacuated and, if necessary, even Japanese who are American citizens.

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Citizens for Victory: 'Only Hard Work and Greater Personal Sacrifice Will Win the War'

An America confronted with an uncertain future must prepare itself for three possibilities:

1—A long war, to be won "only by hard work, sacrifice and complete disregard for personal considerations."

2—An "intervening period of defeat" before victory is won.

3—A sudden capitulation by the Axis nations before the mounting power and strength of the United Nations.

These possibilities were foreseen by Lieutenant Commander Paul C. Smith, U. S. N. R., in an address to more than 200 members of the Citizens for Victory, a war time organization which has stemmed from the Committee to Defend America. **"HARD WORK AHEAD"**

The committee, meeting for luncheon at the Union League Club, also heard a plea for just treatment of enemy aliens and citizens of German, Italian, or Japanese descent from Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch, vice president and provost of the University of California.

The speakers were introduced by Chester H. Rowell, chairman of the organization's Northern California executive committee and a member of its national committee.

Lieutenant Commander Smith, on leave from The Chronicle, where he was editor and general manager, has been assigned to naval duty in Washington.

"It is my personal opinion," he said, "that America and Americans are going to have to be dedicated to sacrifice and hard work for many, many years to come, first to win the war, and secondly, to win the peace."

He said he was personally prepared to be "on leave from San Francisco" through 1948, "and maybe longer."

"The war will last until we win, and the determination of our generation should be to fight through to a victorious conclusion, however long it may take and whatever may stand between here and victory," he declared.

As to the possibility of "sudden victory," Lieutenant Commander Smith said this did not mean to count on internal collapse of Axis nations, but to be prepared for their "sudden withdrawal" from the war in order to save what they can, while they can.

If this should happen, there should be no "dreamy" retreat from the world of nations and its problems, but rather it ought to be met and handled toughly and realistically.

He said he had been asked "Why doesn't some one in Washington do more to sell this war to us?"

ON SELLING THE WAR

His answer to this was that "an elementary acquaintance with the map of the world, another glance at an elementary geography book would do a great deal to sell every one on the importance of an all-out effort."

"There are too many people asking too many other people to convince them this is our war," he said.

He declared there are "certain monuments to discord" in the Nation's war effort, but they are "no part of the people."

"The people themselves will in time recognize those monuments of discord that are on the horizon for

exactly what they are," he continued.

And in reply to questions about "the situation in Washington," Lieutenant Commander Smith said, "Whatever the situation is at Washington, it is at worst or at best but the reflection of the situation in your own community, your own State and region and the whole United States."

"If you would correct the things you think are wrong there," he said, "first correct the things you think are wrong in your own hearts and minds, and then correct the things you think are wrong in your own community and State."

In his plea for just treatment of enemy aliens and citizens of German, Italian or Japanese descent, Dr. Deutsch urged separate consideration by local boards of inquiry of each individual case.

"We are today distrusting a group of our own citizens because of their ancestry," he declared. "It is a matter of military necessity, but we should not let the matter rest there and cause them to be treated, without individual examination, as enemies for the duration of the war."

Chairman Rowell announced Citizens for Victory will sponsor a dinner at 6:30 p. m., March 9, at the Union League Club. Rt. Hon. Margaret Bonfield, former Minister of Labor in the British Cabinet and now adviser to the British Labor Ministry, will be the speaker. Chairman for the evening will be Alexander Watchman, president of the San Francisco Federated Building Trades Council and State commissioner of industrial relations.

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Large quantities of dynamite were also seized, including twenty-one sticks found near the Bonneville Dam in Oregon, and forty pounds found near the naval radio station on Bainbridge Island, Washington.

CONTRABAND LISTED.

Seized contraband included more than 1,000 pieces of fireworks, suitable for signaling; two short wave transmitting sets; 207 short wave receivers; photographs of American battleships and Pacific coast fortifications; 190 guns, 337 swords and knives, and large numbers of cameras, flashlights and binoculars.

Although no formal announcement has come from Government agencies, disposition of the seized aliens was clearly disclosed in Associated Press dispatches from Bismarck, N. D., which related that the Fort Lincoln internment camp now has a population of 1,500.

Of these, 700 were newly arrived Japanese, chiefly from Terminal Island in Los Angeles. Prior dispatches disclosed that CCC camps in New Mexico also are being converted into concentration camps for aliens.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation agents struck again and again up and down the Pacific Coast last week. They

rounded up the suspicious, interned some, released others under surveillance.

The yield from raids was uniform. From the first 45 houses visited the FBI picked up 60,845 rounds of rifle ammunition, 14,833 rounds of shotgun ammunition, four spotlights, four floodlights, six short wave radio receivers, a microphone and amplifier, a container full of sulphuric acid, eight binoculars, four motion picture projectors and six cameras.

By last week the West Coast was much nearer martial law—though no one in authority would come out with a flat declaration in favor of such a drastic step. Coastal citizens were angered by revealing FBI raids. Around army air fields many a Japanese army and navy reservist—complete with uniform in moth balls—was turned up and arrested.

Three highly-paid employes of the closed Yokohama Specie Bank of San Francisco were arrested. One swore: "I would rather die than fight Japan." In Santa Maria, Saju Shiba, 53, was turned in by his 16-year-old son for illegal possession of an automatic rifle and a camera.

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Kazuo Aoyama, noted Japanese anti-aggressionist revealed over shortwave radio as still active; Kibei agricultural worker writes Japanism still rampant in Central California; labor conditions noted

A letter to DOHO from New York, reveals interesting news from Chungking, capital of Free China, concerning treatment accorded "enemy aliens". According to the report received by us, the communication was received Feb. 13 over shortwave radio.

"Ten Japanese and nine Germans have registered with the Chungking Police Bureau in accordance with regulations governing the registration of enemy aliens in the war-time capital. The ten Japanese are all connected with the Aoyama Research Department of the National Military Council.

"The department is headed by Mr. Kazuo Aoyama, noted Japanese anti-aggressionist who for many years worked in Shanghai. He came to Free China at the invitation of the Chinese Government and his host of Chinese friends include Mr. Kuo Mo Jo, a director of the Cultural Affairs Commission, who has known him well since his days in Japan.

"During his connection with the Bureau Mr. Aoyama has contributed immensely to the anti-aggressionist cause among Japanese not only in China but also in the United States. Prior to the outbreak of the Pacific war he sent monthly letters to Japanese of American citizenship in the United States in the interest of the anti-aggressionist campaign.

"All the other Japanese registered as enemy aliens with the police bureau are his subordinates in the war-time department. They were all formerly prisoners of war in China. They include two girls who were captured in northern Hupeh. These Japanese, it is understood, will naturally be exempted from internment as they are working for the Chinese government."

In a letter to DOHO, dated May 15, 1941, Mr. Kazuo Aoyama "wished to be constantly in touch with those of you in America who are actively working in the interest of democracy and freedom.

"At the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war," he continued, "I was the only non-Chinese to take direct part in China's war of righteousness. Today, with the war in its fifth calendar year, there are more than 150 comrades fighting on China's side against aggression."

The DOHO has been sent regularly to China by the trans-Pacific airmail service, prior to the present U.S.-Japanese war.

Those of our readers familiar with Edgar Snow's *Battle for Asia*, will re-

call the immense admiration of the author for Mr. Aoyama and his co-workers.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is a translated excerpt of a letter dated Feb. 17 from a reader, a kibei agricultural worker.

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I am on my way to Sacramento for the asparagus season.

The JACL in San Luis Obispo is very active nowadays with its new office.

Fresno Conditions

In Fresno, too, the Citizens League with 3 offices, is taking care of those evacuated from the Coast, giving aid on traveling permits and so on. Among Caucasian Americans here, however, there is some movement in the offing to stop the influx of Japanese. It seems more advisable, therefore, that large groups do not come from Southern California.

Land Law Issue

The investigation of land ownership does not appear to be a big issue. Even in Ivanhoe, which was a hot center of alien land law troubles a long time ago, the position seems quite secure provided the ownership is in the name of American-born sons.

In Orosi too, there was some investigation, but apparently nothing came of it.

The worst thing our people suffer from almost everywhere in Central California is that due to the revocation of liquor licenses, bars and restaurants do almost no business.

Farmers are planting in a big way.

"But Japan Is Winning . . ."

But the thing I hate the most is this kind of talk, suggestion that "although we (i.e. the American Japanese—Ed.

note) are making sacrifices and suffering many inconveniences, Japan is winning, etc."

The average person takes very seriously that the results of a lifetime of toil and effort are being crumbled into nothing because of the war.

Nikkai officials, language school teachers and Buddhist priests who are still at large, are frantic in attempts to whip up failing pro-Japanism sentiments.

"Honda Tortured to Death"

Such wild rumors are rampant throughout Santa Maria, San Luis Obispo and Fresno! It is being said that the entire U. S. Fleet was destroyed in the Pacific. That Dr. Rikita Honda of Los Angeles did not kill himself, but was tortured to death by the authorities, who tightened his handcuffs, thereby bursting blood vessels.

I don't understand how such whispering rumors originated and were spread.

Japanese Laborers "Interned"

At present, all the Japanese at the Yoshioka and Kawasaki camps at Arvin (near Bakersfield), are herded into one place and never allowed to leave the premises. It is all the same as an internment camp. They say this is done in anticipation of a labor shortage during the grape season. I think that it is to forestall any trouble about wage increases, and besides, camp bosses make big money out of boarding workers.

The same situation exists at camps in Delano. It doesn't matter to nisei, but the issei had better watch their step before going to such places. I'm afraid similar "concentration" methods will be eventually adopted by big farms.

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Removal of Jap Aliens, Citizens Believed Near

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Wholesale movement of Japanese aliens and citizens alike out of California may begin within the next forty-eight hours.

This was indicated last night on the basis of announcements made here by the Western Defense Command headquarters and at San Diego by the office of the United States attorney.

In San Diego, Assistant United States Attorney Norman Neukum declared he had received "information from an authoritative source" that all San Diego Japanese, including the American-born second generation, would be ordered to move "somewhere east of the Sierras," possibly by today.

MATTER OF HOURS.

Neukum's statement came shortly after a Fourth Army announcement that Lieut. Gen. J. L. De Witt would proclaim the military areas "in a matter of hours."

The Fourth Army communication gave no details and did not disclose whether the new military

areas would take in territory in addition to the prohibited areas already designated.

Neukum's statement, however, made it appear that much larger areas would be affected and that the Japanese would not be permitted to resettle anywhere near these areas.

PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY.

The expected orders will be made under the authority recently given by the President to the Army to set up military areas from which any and all persons can be excluded, as the Army deems advisable.

Neukum also confirmed reports that there have been attempts at San Diego to force aliens to sell their property at "ridiculous" figures. He said the Government would safeguard the holdings of all persons forced to move out of prohibited or military areas and

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Removal of Aliens In State Near

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Mass Evacuation of Axis Nationals Due in 48 Hours

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HUGE ALIEN HUNT STARTS HERE; HUNDREDS JOIN F.B.I. IN ROUNDUP

Sheriff Deputies Aid Crackdown

In the most extensive raids thus far, Federal and local authorities today started rounding up potentially dangerous alien enemies in Metropolitan Oakland and at key points throughout Northern California.

Approximately 100 F.B.I. agents and more than 200 police officers, sheriff's deputies and other officials participated in widespread searches and seizures which came on the heels

of a presidential order giving ouster power to the military, and as a congressional committee headed by Congressman John Tolan met in San Francisco to consider the alien evacuation problem.

Nat J. L. Pieper, special agent in charge of the San Francisco district office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, co-ordinated the activities of the far-flung raiding parties. He indicated that the scope of activities far surpassed any previous roundup.

TWO-EDGED RAIDS

As in previous raids, the authorities were armed both with Presidential warrants and instructions to seize contraband.

At a pre-arranged "zero hour" officers struck at all points.

The raids virtually blanketed the area from Salinas to as far north as Redding and from the Bay area inland as far as Sacramento and Stockton.

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Alien Raids In Lodi, Modesto

Fanning out from Stockton, where the raids began yesterday, FBI agents and local officers today made numerous searches in Modesto and Lodi, seizing fourteen alien Japanese and large quantities of contraband in the Stockton sector.

All of those arrested were booked as en route to U. S. immigration authorities, either for possession of contraband or as potentially dangerous enemy aliens.

With 28 others arrested in the San Diego region, the northern California arrests brought to 43 the number seized in the new raids.

PHOTOS SEIZED

Among contraband confiscated as the northern California raids spread out from the Stockton Army airbase to nearby Lodi was a photograph album containing recent pictures of United States military aircraft, as well as Japanese military planes and ships.

In San Francisco, agents arrested Toshi Kinoshita, official of a Japanese association, at his home at 3608 Sacramento street.

Thirteen of the aliens arrested in the northern California raids were held in the county jail at Stockton, in custody of Sheriff Martin Ansbro. The fourteenth Japanese was seized at Brentwood, Contra Costa County.

After the Stockton raids were completed, the agents moved to Lodi, where local officers assisting the FBI men were headed by Chief of Police Clarence Jackson, graduate of the FBI national police academy at Washington.

Forty-one searches were made in the Stockton-Lodi area, according to H. C. Van Pelt, special agent acting in charge of the San Francisco FBI office.

LIST CONTRABAND

Contraband seized in the raids included a 12-gauge shotgun, 40 rounds of ammunition, a long-bow and four arrows, knives, a box of .22 caliber ammunition, cameras, film, sound amplifying equipment, U. S. signal flags, two Japanese flags, a motion picture projector, motion picture film, one short wave radio receiver, binoculars, propaganda and records and documents of Japanese secret organizations.

The shotgun, shells and signal flags, mounted on five foot poles,

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One Japanese arrested at Lodi, Tayatsuchi Otani, had in his possession a newspaper map of the world, printed in connection with President Roosevelt's "map talk" of last Monday, on which had been penciled the inscription:

"Clip this map two months from now. Liberty, Liberty, Liberty."

Kazuo Ueda, arrested in Stockton, had in his possession two Japanese rising sun flags and a spring-clasp knife. He admitted having made a trip to Japan in 1937.

OTHERS HELD

Others arrested in this area included:

Toshimatsu Tsutaoka, treasurer of the Japanese Association at Lodi; Jitsuro Hiramoto, auditor of the Japanese Association at Lodi; Seichi Iwaniya of Acampo, treasurer and auditor of the association at Lodi, and Kaneshige Matsumoto, vice president of Heimusha Kai, an organization of Japanese formed for the collection of funds for the imperial army and navy.

5 More Aliens in Oregon Arrested

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27 (INS).—Oregon's list of arrested aliens was increased by five today—three Japanese and two Germans—as federal officers continued their roundup of enemy aliens.

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FBI Seizes Japs Near Air Base

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*Stockton Scene
Of New Alien
Roundup*

The roundup of California's "dangerous enemy aliens swung to the Stockton area yesterday as more than two score FBI agents and local officers raided numerous Japanese establishments in the vicinity of the Army's advanced flying school there.

Acting on information gleaned from records seized in recent extensive raids, and from the files of Army and Navy intelligence, the raiders were seeking leaders of Japanese secret organizations, including the notorious Black Dragon Society.

ROUNDUP CONTINUES.

Raids were still in progress last night after three Japanese had been arrested and large quantities of contraband seized. Other developments in the alien situation were:

1—FBI officials in Washington disclosed that their activities against espionage, sabotage and other fifth column activities have led thus far to the arrest of 4,151 enemy aliens, including 3,250 Japanese, and the seizure of huge quantities of explosives, ammunition, firearms and other contraband.

In the Stockton raids, Hichienon Fujii, 65 year old farmer of French Camp, was the first arrested. His property adjoins that of the advanced Air Corps training base, and a shortwave radio set was found in his possession.

IN CONTRA COSTA.

The search for a close associate of Fujii's took agents as far as Brentwood, Contra Costa County, where they arrested Nobuo Mikami, teacher in Japanese language schools both in Brentwood and in Stockton.

After a box of .22 shells, and a photograph of Mikami in the uniform of a Japanese Army officer had been discovered, the alien admitted he is a reserve Japanese officer, that he recently visited Japan, and was sent on a tour of Japanese occupied territory in China.

FBI agents said he is an official of a Japanese association formed to advance interests of his country in America.

OFFICIAL ARRESTED.

In San Francisco, another official of the association, Toshi Kinoshita, was arrested in his home at 3608 Sacramento Street.

Statistics released in Washington disclosed that more than 80,000 rounds of ammunition have been confiscated from Japanese in coast States since the outbreak of war—all of it after aliens were ordered to turn in such materials.

Large quantities of dynamite were also seized, including twenty-one sticks found near the Bonneville Dam in Oregon, and forty pounds found near the naval radio station on Bainbridge Island, Washington.

CONTRABAND LISTED.

Seized contraband included more than 1,000 pieces of fireworks, suitable for signaling; two short wave transmitting sets; 207 short wave receivers; photographs of American battleships and Pacific coast fortifications; 190 guns, 337 swords and knives, and large numbers of cameras, flashlights and binoculars.

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EVACUATION OF COASTAL AREAS STUDIED HERE

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Defense Co-ordinator Reviews
Plans for Emergency Use;
Dullea Talks on Blackouts

Tentative plans for removal of civilian populations in event of emergency were reviewed yesterday by George Levison, regional evacuation co-ordinator for the western States, at a meeting here of the evacuation committee of the State council of defense.

Levison emphasized that "total" evacuation was extremely unlikely and that any such move would be a last resort because of the adverse affect it would have on production.

Governor Olson called the meeting and had asked that Lieut. Gen. John L. De Witt of the Western Defense Command be present, but neither was able to attend.

BLACKOUTS DISCUSSED.

In discussing another phase of civilian defense—that of blackout warnings—Police Chief Charles Dullea, director of civilian defense for the city, told the Shrine Luncheon Club that air raid warnings are not being given on the radio because of direct instructions from the Army.

"We respect the Army's judgment in the matter," he said. "We follow orders—and that is what every citizen must do during blackouts. They should follow instructions of wardens quickly and without question."

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THREE GROUPS EXEMPT.

The office of Tom C. Clark, alien co-ordinator, issued orders amplifying the recent announcement that three classes of enemy aliens are exempt from evacuation orders. They are: Inmates of hospitals and sanitariums; persons more than 75 years old, and persons so ill that their lives would be endangered by moving.

The names of all aliens in the first group must be reported to the nearest FBI office by officials of the institution.

Enemy aliens over 75 may remain in their homes without reporting.

Cases of persons too ill to be removed must be reported to the FBI and a physician's certificate must be submitted.

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FDR TIGHTENS CONTROL OVER VITAL SECTORS

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Roosevelt Gives Navy Power to Restrict Harbor Activities in Fight Against Sabotage

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—
(INS)—President Roosevelt late today increased military control over strategic areas as a safeguard against sabotage and espionage by making the Navy responsible for protecting harbors, ports and waterfront facilities not already under Army supervision.

The order followed one of last week giving the Army power to designate and exercise authority over "military areas," which might be endangered by the enemy.

The President's step today virtually blankets the country under Army or Navy supervision, whenever or wherever necessary.

The executive order making Secretary of the Navy Knox "primarily responsible" for enforcing its provisions states that he:

"1—Shall take such steps, institute such measures, and issue such regulations and orders as shall be necessary for the safeguarding against destruction, loss or injury from sabotage or other subversive acts, accidents, or other causes of a similar nature, or vessels, harbors, ports, and waterfront facilities in the United States and in Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, Porto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, except such waterfront facilities as may be directly operated by the War Department.

"Executive Order No. 8972 of December 12, 1941, authorizing the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to protect certain national defense material, premises, and utilities from injury or destruction, is modified accordingly.

"2—All agencies and authorities of the Government of the United States shall conform to all regulations and orders issued by the Secretary of the Navy pursuant to Section 1 hereof, and shall give such assistance and support to the Secretary of the Navy as their available facilities and personnel will permit.

"3—All State and local authorities and all persons are urged to assist and support the

Secretary of the Navy at all times in the enforcement of this order, and to conform to all regulations issued hereunder.

"4—Except as provided by Section 1 hereof, nothing herein contained shall be construed as relieving any agency or authority of the United States from the performance of any duties now imposed by law upon it; and nothing herein shall limit or modify the duty and responsibility of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, with respect to the investigation of alleged acts of sabotage, espionage, or other types of subversive activities, or require it to furnish facilities or personnel under Section 2 of this order.

"5—The Secretary of the Navy may delegate to such officers under his direction as he may deem necessary any of the powers and duties conferred upon him by any of the provisions of this order."

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Japanese Spread

Disease From Planes in China

By FLETCHER PRATT

The Japs are using that ultimate horror, bacteriological warfare, by deliberately spreading disease.

It is probably their ace in the hole against us.

They are experimenting, as they always do with new deadly tricks of war, against those ideal subjects, the Chinese—ideal because the news from China gets through to America only with difficulty, and often remains unbelievably after it gets here.

It started last Nov. 4. A single Japanese plane appeared over Changteh, northwest of Changsha in Honan Province, flew over the city for about an hour and disappeared. No bombs were dropped, but after the all-clear sounded streets and compounds were found liberally sprinkled with rice grains embedded in little tufts of cotton. Laboratory examination showed both rice and cotton to contain cultures of bubonic plague; within a week there were cases of bubonic at Changteh, which had not had a case of the disease since the founding of the Chinese Republic.

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In December, just after the attack on Pearl Harbor, Japanese planes appeared over Chinghua, Chin and Chiu, in Chekiang Province, again dropping no bombs, but trailing behind them what appeared to be white fumes. This time the white fumes proved to be living fleas, infected with cultures of bubonic and typhus, and fish eggs with the same. The reason for both the fish eggs and the rice is to make contact with the local rats; rats are the best spreaders of bubonic plague, the "Black Death" of the Middle Ages.

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Chinese sources remark rather bitterly that it will probably be a long time before the western world will believe this sort of thing. Unfortunately, this is probably true; but it is worth noting that every prediction, every indication, furnished by the Chinese intelligence service thus far in the war has proved 100 percent accurate. It is the only Allied espionage service that has a real Fifth Column of considerable dimensions working behind the enemy lines.

The thing also fits perfectly with the strategical necessities confronting Japan and accounts perfectly for the confidence with which they are measuring their strength against the ultimately

superior resources of the United States.

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Take the long view on the war. Suppose the Japs do conquer all the area of the southwest Pacific, even including Australia. What then? They know, they must know, that they would in the long run have to face American armies immensely superior in numbers, supported by production capacities in ships, planes and weapons beside which their own production would be of the pipsqueak order.

It is simply inconceivable that their military men would not have a plan for such an eventuality. It is equally inconceivable that the plan would be based on anything so nebulous as their own possibility of withstanding the attack of the superior forces to which they had already shown the technique of making such attacks.

Well, here's one answer. Another is probably furnished by the fact that the Japanese have several times now used the two deadliest of the war gases, mustard and lewisite, against the Chinese. In other words, they are planning, coolly and deliberately, to cut us down with disease.

From the Japanese point of view such a program has the rare advantage of being almost foolproof. One of the main objections against germ warfare is that it's hard to stop the spread of a plague once started. This does not hold in the case of Japan versus the United States. There is no connection, no communication across the Pacific.

We have been warned.

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Move to Further Ban Of Aliens, Nisei Gains

ARMY MAY ISSUE

Removal orders affecting both aliens and citizens may be issued by the Army under the authority granted by President Roosevelt to the secretary of war and his field commanders to set up zones from which military authorities could exclude anyone, regardless of nationality.

President Roosevelt yesterday also ordered the Navy to take over every harbor and waterfront facility in the United States, exempting only such facilities as already are operated by the War Department.

District Attorney Hoyt, in his plea for extension of prohibited areas in the East Bay, pointed out that the Moore shipyards, Howard Terminals, the Navy repair docks and vital utilities and industries still remain outside of forbidden zones.

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OUSTER OF ALL JAPS IN CALIFORNIA NEAR!

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MASS REMOVAL OF ALIENS AND CITIZENS LIKELY

Wholesale Evacuation of Axis
Nationals to Point Beyond
Sierra Due in 48 Hours

Wholesale movement of Japanese
aliens and citizens alike
out of California may begin
within the next forty-eight
hours.

This was indicated last night
on the basis of announcements
made here by the Western De-
fense Command headquarters and
at San Diego by the office of the
United States attorney.

In San Diego, Assistant United
States Attorney Norman Neu-
kum declared he had received "in-
formation from an authoritative
source" that all San Diego Japa-
nese, including the American-born
second generation, would be or-
dered to move "somewhere east
of the Sierras," possibly by today.

MATTER OF HOURS.

Neukum's statement came
shortly after a Fourth Army an-
nouncement that Lieut. Gen. J. L.
De Witt would proclaim the mili-
tary areas "in a matter of hours."

The Fourth Army communi-
cation gave no details and did not
disclose whether the new military
areas would take in territory in
addition to the prohibited areas
already designated.

Neukum's statement, however,
made it appear that much larger
areas would be affected and that
the Japanese would not be per-
mitted to resettle anywhere near
these areas.

The expected orders will be
made under the authority recent-
ly given by the President to the
Army to set up military areas
from which any and all persons
can be excluded, as the Army
deems advisable.

Neukum's statement, however,
that there have been attempts at
San Diego to force aliens to sell
their property at "ridiculous" fig-
ures.

SOME EXEMPTIONS.

Meanwhile, Tom C. Clark, alien
co-ordinator here, amplified regu-
lations exempting aliens over
75, ill in hospitals or sanitariums
or dangerously ill at their homes,
from the orders, effective last
Tuesday midnight, to get out of
prohibited areas along the Cali-
fornia coast.

Clark said the names of aliens
in hospitals and sanitariums must
be reported to the Federal Bureau
of Investigation.

Those over 75 years old, how-

Removal of Aliens In State Near

Mass Evacuation of
Axis Nationals Due
in 48 Hours

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ever, may remain in their homes
without reporting to the FBI.

Aliens too ill to be moved with-
out endangering their lives must
be reported to the FBI and in each
case a doctor's certificate must
be submitted.

Clark added that in cases of
medical emergency, enemy aliens
may be taken to hospitals with-
in prohibited areas, but the hospi-
tal authorities then must report
each case to the FBI.

(Japs seized in Stockton air base
areas. See Page 10.)

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Hearings

Appointment of a new three-man board to hear Japanese alien cases exclusively was announced in San Francisco. The new board is comprised of John Baur, architect; Marshall Woodworth, attorney, and Alfred Ehrman, importer. The previous board will confine itself to German and Italian cases.

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SEGREGATE RACES.

In San Francisco, appointment of a second three man board to hear cases of enemy aliens brought the disclosure that the Government intends to keep Japanese segregated from German and Italian internees.

The new board, comprised of John Baur, architect, Marshall Woodworth, attorney, and Alfred Ehrman, importer, will hear Japanese cases exclusively. The previously appointed board will hear German and Italian cases.

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Contraband

**Bomb Found on Jap
Premises Is Examined**

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Police ballistic experts today examined an object they said was a crudely fashioned bomb discovered in a building recently vacated by a Japanese restaurant operator. Detective Lieut. S. R. Lopez said several holes drilled in the object, of the approximate size and weight of a 16-pound shot used by athletes, were found to contain black powder which apparently had been rendered harmless by dampness.

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State Group *Chronicle* Wants Action *Feb. 27, 1942* On Aliens

FRESNO, Feb. 26 (P)—Spokesmen for California agriculture advocated immediate and final action on the Japanese problem at a meeting of the State Senate's Interim Committee on Economic Planning here today.

The committee, of which Senator Robert W. Kenny of Los Angeles is chairman, was urged to "request the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the army to make a decision now" in the matter of the Japanese.

E. F. Loescher of Fresno, chairman of the State Chamber of Commerce's war agricultural labor committee, said that body was willing to leave the question of whether the Japanese should be evacuated entirely from the State to the FBI and the army.

"But," he added, "the Japanese situation has a large bearing on the labor and other agricultural problems of California," he added that, until the matter is settled, the war production plans of agriculture would be retarded.

M. W. Dula of Tulare and Frank J. Palomares of Fresno, manager of the agricultural labor bureau, testified that labor shortages and untimely rains were responsible for loss through deterioration in the cotton crop of the San Joaquin valley.

Dula, replying to a committee question, said the quotas for the next crop had been set and that at present there was no plan to increase production.

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Highway 101 *Chronicle* Still Open to *Feb 27, 1942* Alien Travel

All rumors—and yesterday there were plenty of them—to the contrary, U. S. Highway 101 between San Francisco and Oregon is open to travel by enemy aliens.

Social Security Board authorities said last night the highway is NOT included in the forbidden zone covering the Tiburon Peninsula area.

Similarly, they ruled, the Bay Bridge is open to aliens, even though the San Francisco approach goes over one forbidden zone and the Oakland approach adjoins another.

Chief highways blocked by the new restrictions include only the Marina approach to the Golden Gate Bridge, and U. S. Highway 40 going north from Berkeley.

All travel in this area, however, is governed by curfew laws which forbid an enemy alien to leave his home between 9 p. m. and 6 a. m. without special permission. At other times, he may be within five miles of his home, or at his place of employment, or en route to or from his job.

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As the West Coast still echoed to demands for increased restrictions on all Japanese, these were other highlights of official action:

1—In Washington, D. C., the Senate was considering a new bill ordering the Secretary of War to seize all Japanese within the United States.

The new bill directing the internment of all Japanese was introduced by Senator Stewart (D., Tenn.), who urged immediate action. It would direct the War Department to take into custody "any person who is considered by the laws of any foreign power with whom we are at war to be a citizen of such nation and is of a race or nationality ineligible to naturalization in the United States."

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Reply to Tolan Telegram

House Report # 1911

p. 29

SANTA FE, N. MEX., February 27.

JOHN H. TOLAN,
Chairman, House Committee Investigating National Defense Migration,
Seattle, Wash.

Retel proposal to move enemy aliens and Japanese of whatever citizenship to areas east of California. We in New Mexico take the position that, as a border State, New Mexico may become a strategic area and we therefore oppose such migration to New Mexico. New Mexico could not assimilate any large group of labor. Since New Mexico does not have defense industries we still have a labor surplus. And except for seasonal harvest in small areas there would be little or no opportunity for employment. We concur in the desirability of moving enemy aliens from the coast area but feel such migration should be desired to place them in inland areas completely away from all strategic defense industry, and outside of areas that are now or may later be considered strategic areas.

C. R. QUINTANA, Acting Governor.

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SYMPATHY IN JAPAN
"The sympathy of all Japanese, whether born in this country or Japan," Hoyt said, "lies with Japan and not with the United States. A great many of them, if offered the opportunity, would engage in sabotage and espionage."

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In Los Angeles, C. Huntington Jacobs of San Francisco, president of the Military Law Association, warned that the Pacific Coast must prepare for "very bitter medicine" in the form of martial law that may be invoked immediately, International News Service reported.

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DANGER OF RIOTS

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Anti-Jap. Sentiment

5—Okada suggested that it might be well to evacuate Chinese as well since "most Americans can't tell the difference between a Japanese and a Chinese" and all "might get hurt if public hysteria developments."

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6—Federal officials here, reviewing orders which would permit "dangerously ill" or bed-ridden aliens to remain in forbidden zones, announced such patients face individual examination by Government physicians.

Wallace Howland, assistant coordinator of alien control, clarified the three exemptions which permit certain enemy aliens to remain in forbidden zones.

1—Enemy aliens over 75 years must produce evidence of their age—a birth record, passport, first citizenship papers, or a similar document, or the evidence of a respected citizen.

2—Enemy aliens now in hospitals, sanitariums or institutions of the feeble-minded may remain, but officials of the institutions must report them to the nearest FBI office.

3—Enemy aliens so ill that movement would endanger their lives may remain in a forbidden zone. But, Howland warned, they must be reported to the FBI, they must send a physician's certificate to the FBI, and the physician must give exact details of the illness, the reasons why a move would be dangerous, and the time when movement may be allowed.

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**Evacuated Aliens Must
Not Return to Richmond**

RICHMOND, Feb. 27.—Enemy aliens evacuated from this area must not come back here for information they may need or for any other reason, according to Arthur A. Hall, Federal employment office manager here.

Hall said that his office, which handled issuance of evacuation permits, would aid aliens in every way possible, but that those who have moved must contact him either by telephone or by mail.

After this is done, Hall said, a contact point will be established and the needed information secured. Hall said that he anticipated many of those who left here will need information concerning property and money.

Approximately 700 moving permits were granted in the local office, he said. They were for aliens in Richmond, El Cerrito, Pinole and small communities in this section of Contra Costa County.

"Only two aliens," he said, "one German and the other Italian, failed to secure the permits."

As far as Hall knows, these two are still in Richmond. Their names

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30 Aliens Strand Themselves on Bay Island

Thirty Italian vegetable farmers have been legally trapped on their Bay Farm Island truck gardens.

This was revealed here yesterday as officials disclosed the aliens have practically interned themselves for the duration by

"forgetting" to move last Tuesday.

There are only two roads leading to the island, on the Oakland-Alameda boundary line. One goes through Army property, which has been closed to civilian traffic for

months. The other, through Alameda, was closed at midnight on February 24, when all of Alameda became a forbidden zone to enemy aliens.

Neither the officials nor the truck gardeners indicated what might happen.

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**Rules Are Laid Down for
Aliens Exempt From Law**

Aliens who are exempt from provisions requiring evacuation from proscribed zones are in three classifications, the alien evacuation coordinator said today.

The groups are: (1) Inmates of hospitals, sanitariums and institutions for the feeble minded, (2) those over 75 years of age, and (3) those who are so ill that their lives would be endangered by moving.

In the case of the first group, officials of the institutions must report to the nearest F.B.I. office the names of such alien patients.

Enemy aliens over 75 years don't have to do anything. They may remain where they are, but they must have evidence of their age.

Those in the third classification—those too ill to move, must report to the F.B.I. or have someone do so on their behalf. They must send a physician's certificate to the F.B.I., and if an alien has a registration number, that number should be on the doctor's certificate.

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The Editor's Mail Box

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"ENEMY ALIENS."

To The San Francisco Examiner:

When Mayor Rossi recently appeared before the Tolan Committee as a witness he made a statement that all Japanese aliens be removed from this area immediately, but Italian and German aliens be given separate consideration and plans be made for their continuance of normal life among those who are found not dangerous. In other words remove all Japanese aliens without any chance to prove themselves loyal but give Italians and the Germans a break. This, to me, has all the earmarks of racial discrimination.

This war will not last forever. Sooner or later the United States will emerge a victor. The peace to come must be built on a solid foundation of racial equality. Isn't that what this Government wants? Isn't that what we are all striving for?

We, the Japanese Americans, are trying to prove our loyalty to America but as this war goes on the pressure upon us will become heavier and the statements like the one made by the mayor may create resentment which will take a long time to heal.

T. KIKUGAWA,
San Francisco.

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Hard-hitting Federal Bureau of Investigation agents continued their roundup of "dangerous and potentially dangerous enemy aliens" in the Lodi and Modesto areas today.

Yesterday, 20 places were raided in the Stockton-Delta area and 14 Japanese were taken into custody. Large quantities of contraband were taken.

TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Seven of those arrested and booked "en route to the U.S. Immigration Service," were:

Nobuo Mikami, 53, Contra Costa rancher and president of a Japanese language school at Brentwood; Tomekichi It., 57, believed to be a possible relative of the former Japanese premier who has the same surname; Hichiemon Fujii, 65; Naichi Okamoto, 54; Saduichi Yamamoto, 59;

Kabuo Ueda, 45, and Yokichi Nacagawa, 62.

Raiding officers unearthed \$25,000 in cash in a basement safe on Nacagawa's Acampo ranch which had been secreted there, they said, in violation of governmental freezing orders. A paid-up life insurance policy for \$3,000 was found on the premises also.

Agents said Mikami is a member of the Japanese Association at Stockton.

TRUNK SMASHED

Smashing open a locked trunk in the Brentwood home, agents found a volume containing photographs of Japanese planes and military information concerning the Sino-Japanese war. A picture of Mikami in a Nipponese Army uniform was found also.

Agents said Mikami admitted he was a Japanese Army reservist. A box of .22 caliber blank shells suitable for signaling were found in the home.

Mikami, the agents added, was graduated from an agricultural college at Tokyo and his two daughters are attending college in Japan now. During his last visit to Japan in 1937-38, Mikami is said to have admitted he toured Japanese-occupied Shanghai, Tientsin and Peking.

SHORT WAVE SET

Agents seized a short wave radio receiver on Fujii's ranch which borders the Army's strategic advanced flying school base near Stockton.

In the Fresno area, agents arrested a Japanese whose warehouse had yielded a large quantity of ammunition in a previous raid. A 35 mm. projection camera was found in a Buddhist temple. Red and white signal flags mounted on bamboo poles were confiscated also.

In San Francisco F.B.I. men armed with a presidential warrant, arrested Toski Kinoshita at his home at 3608 Sacramento Street. They said he was an official of the Japanese Association of America.

DEVELOPMENTS LISTED

Other developments in the situation within the past 24 hours included:

1—State Health Officer Bertram Brown ordered all State-licensed canneries to keep aliens from operating as "cannery superintendents, cookroom foremen, test clerks and operators of steam-controlled retorts."

Dr. Brown warned that even slight deviation from temperatures prescribed for proper sterilization might result in a lethal epidemic of botulism. He said the measures were being taken to guard against possible "carelessness."

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Tolan Committee Goes to Seattle After Ending S.F. Hearings; Astoria Peril Cited

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27.—“Undoubtedly,” American citizens of Axis descent as well as aliens will be ousted from Pacific Coast defense zones, Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau Jr., has advised the Tolan Congressional Investigating Committee.

Replying to a telegraphic inquiry from Rep. John H. Tolan, Oakland Democrat and chairman of the committee, Morgenthau wired:

“The problems involved are not confined to aliens, but undoubtedly will involve United States citizens as well.”

HEARINGS TO CONTINUE

The committee left for Seattle, Wash., last night to continue hearings next week, after hearing testimony, the consensus of which was that all Japanese, American-born and aliens, should be evacuated from the vulnerable coastal areas in California, Oregon and Washington.

Highlights of the testimony included:

1. Presence of Japanese in defense-vital areas, such as the mouth of the Columbia River at Astoria, creates an ever-present opportunity for sabotage and espionage, and Jap agricultural leaseholds are invariably located in watershed areas offering a “critical fire hazard.”

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MAYOR’S STATEMENT

6. Mayor R. Earl Riley of Portland suggested that inland areas should not oppose concentration of enemy aliens there since evacuation from coastal areas would tend to make the entire Nation safer from

umn activity.

Riley said he believed all Japanese should be ousted from defense zones.

“I don’t want ‘em in my territory,” he declared. “They have contacts. I don’t want them abused but they should be put to productive labor and paid for it. There may be some places in Eastern Oregon where we could keep them but I would feel better if they were all east of the Rockies.”

CANNERY INTERESTS

Speaking on behalf of the cannery interests, the Chamber of Commerce, the city manager, the Labor Council, harbor master and the American Legion, Walter Underwood of Astoria said:

“Our city has been burned twice

and it would be very easy to burn again. Moreover, Japanese now unemployed because Chinese and Filipino laborers no longer will work with them, are growing increasingly sullen but still live in bunkhouses on the waterfront within 1700 feet of every ship entering or leaving the Columbia River.

“We have seen signaling there. We found 20 sticks of dynamite.

DISASTER POSSIBLE

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State Sen. Ronald E. Jones, who employs 120 Japs on a ranch eight miles north of Salem, agreed all Japanese should be moved out of the coastal area.

“I believe their regard for Japan is higher than it is for the United States,” he declared.

In this connection, Okada interjected that “I would not say all Japanese-Americans are loyal. Ours is the problem of any alien race. You’re apt to find a bad apple in any barrel.”

MARTIAL LAW URGED

Joseph K. Carson, Mayor of Portland for eight years and now department commander of the American Legion, advocated the use of martial law to effect evacuation and internment of all enemy aliens “for the duration of the emergency” and “for the protection of the Japanese as well as for our own.”

The committee has already called to the attention of President Roosevelt and Morgenthau that a Pacific Coast representative of the Federal alien property custodian be appointed to administer and care for property of evacuated aliens.

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OUSTER OF ALL JAPS IN CALIFORNIA NEAR!

MASS REMOVAL OF ALIENS AND CITIZENS LIKELY

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Wholesale Evacuation of Axis
Nationals to Point Beyond
Sierra Due in 48 Hours

Wholesale movement of Japanese aliens and citizens alike out of California may begin within the next forty-eight hours.

This was indicated last night on the basis of announcements made here by the Western Defense Command headquarters and at San Diego by the office of the United States attorney.

In San Diego, Assistant United States Attorney Norman Neukum declared he had received "information from an authoritative source" that all San Diego Japanese, including the American-born second generation, would be ordered to move "somewhere east of the Sierras," possibly by today.

MATTER OF HOURS.

Neukum's statement came shortly after a Fourth Army announcement that Lieut. Gen. J. L. De Witt would proclaim the military areas "in a matter of hours."

The Fourth Army communication gave no details and did not disclose whether the new military areas would take in territory in addition to the prohibited areas already designated.

Neukum's statement, however, made it appear that much larger areas would be affected and that the Japanese would not be permitted to resettle anywhere near these areas.

The expected orders will be made under the authority recently given by the President to the Army to set up military areas from which any and all persons can be excluded, as the Army deems advisable.

Neukum's statement, however, that there have been attempts at San Diego to force aliens to sell their property at "ridiculous" figures.

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Enemy Aliens

Chronicle - Feb. 27, 1942
Navy to Take

Over Every U. S. Harbor

The U. S. Navy was ordered by President Roosevelt last night to take over every harbor and waterfront facility in the United States.

Aimed against any repetition of the Normandie burning in New York two weeks ago, the President's order directed Secretary Knox to provide protection against sabotage or other subversive acts, accident or other causes of similar nature."

Exempted from the order were such waterfront facilities directly operated by the War Department.

NEW ZONING ORDERS

Meanwhile, Army authorities here were completing new orders to protect the entire West Coast from sabotage. Announcement of rigid regulations barring enemy aliens and unwanted citizens from vast new sections of California, Oregon, and Washington was expected within a very few hours.

Some officials openly predicted the orders would clear enemy aliens and many American-born Japanese from all California west of the Sierra.

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Morgenthau: 'Citizens of Axis Descent Will Be Evacuated From Coast'

By FLOYD HEALEY
Chronicle Staff Writer

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 26—American citizens of Axis descent as well as aliens "undoubtedly" will be evacuated from Pacific Coast danger zones, Secretary Morgenthau advised the Tolan investigating committee tonight.

Replying to a telegraphic request of committee chairman John H. Tolan of Oakland, Calif., the secretary wired:

"The problems involved are not confined to aliens but undoubtedly will involve United States citizens as well."

At the same time Secretary Morgenthau left unsettled the disposition of physical properties and equipment which evacuated aliens are being forced to sell at sacrifice prices or abandon.

PROPERTY CUSTODIAN

The committee had recommended to the attention of the secretary, the President and Cabinet officers the "immediate creation of a Pacific Coast representative of the Federal Alien Property Custodian. Testimony has indicated, both in California and Oregon, that lack of a proper custodian has been one of the most aggravating problems in connection with the removal of enemy aliens, and it is growing steadily and hourly more acute. In addition to its recommendation for "immediate" appointment of an official agent, the committee incorporated its belief that "this office should have existed before the evacuation of February 15."

To this, Secretary Morgenthau replied:

"Vesting title in the United States Government of the property of the groups being resettled would only further complicate an already aggravated problem.

"It is the view of the Treasury Department that the social problems involved in any such resettlement program should be handled by one or more departments of the Federal Government handling similar social problems or, if need be, a new agency created for the purpose."

A new thought in connection with the evacuation was supplied the committee at today's hearing by R. Farly Riley, Mayor of Portland.

INLANDERS WARNED

He declared residents of interior States, objecting to suggested concentration of enemy aliens among them, are inviting trouble in their own territory. Riley made the point that as long as Axis sympathizers remain in coastal areas where they may time sabotage with invasion, they are in position to aid enemy penetration inland.

JAPS PARTICULARLY

Japanese, particularly should be moved out as soon as possible," he testified. He made no distinction between Nipponese-born and the Nisei, or American-born.

The committee found a predomi-

nant attitude toward removal at once of all Japanese, regardless of the "substantial" difference it will make to agriculture. Their presence in "vital" coastal areas such as the mouth of the Columbia river at Astoria creates a continuing opportunity for sabotage and their agricultural leaseholds are invariably located in watersheds offering a "critical fire hazard," the committee said.

One of the most urgent pleas for immediate removal of Japanese came from Walter Underwood of Astoria, speaking for cannery interests; the Chamber of Commerce, city manager, the Labor Council, harbor master and the American Legion.

"Our city has been burned twice," Underwood declared, "and it would be very easy to burn again."

Moreover, Japanese now unemployed because Chinese and Filipino laborers no longer will work with them, are growing increasingly sullen, but still live in bunkhouses on the water front, "within 1700 feet of every ship" entering or leaving the Columbia river.

POTENTIAL DISASTER

"We have seen signaling there," Underwood told the committee. "We found 20 sticks of dynamite. Just the other day one of the 27 Japs there has been arrested with a gun in his possession. It would only take one man with incendiaries to start a disaster."

State Senator Ronald E. Jones, who employs 120 Japs in farming operations eight miles north of Salem, also agreed they should be moved, even though there is a difference of feeling among Buddhist and Christian Japanese. Senator Jones testified from 20 years of experience with them as agriculturists.

"I believe their regard for Japan is higher than it is for the United States," he said.

Joseph K. Carson, who was Mayor of this city for eight years and now is department commander of the American Legion, went farther than other witnesses. He said the 125 posts of the American Legion in Oregon are recorded by their own initiative for internment as well as evacuation "for the duration of the emergency." This should be done, Carson said, "for the protection of the Japanese as well as for our own."

MARTIAL LAW

Inasmuch as this would entail suspicion of the writ of habeas corpus, Carson indicated the only way to accomplish it would be by the declaration of martial law.

J. E. Klahre and a committee of 11 others, speaking for orchardists and business interests in the productive Hood River valley 70 miles east of Portland, said that if the 15 per cent of Japanese agricultural operators there are allowed to remain "riots" may occur when 4000 to 5000 laborers migrate there for the fruit harvesting season.

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CAN UCF LEADERSHIP

TAKE THE GAFF?

CITIZENS FEDERATION IN DISCORD ON VOLUNTARY EVACUATION QUESTION

Only one week after its formation, the United Citizens Federation organized at the mass rally of Feb. 19, now faces the cross-roads.

Whether or not the Federation is capable of giving needed, qualified leadership towards the protection of the welfare of the majority in our Japanese communities—whether or not it is aggressive enough to enlist all-out cooperation of both issei and nisei for America's war effort—these are the issues which are coming out for a showdown.

Again, Dissension

Differences and conflicts of policy are beginning to crystalize, as was clearly demonstrated at the stormy and tense session of the Council meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 25, at which time reports were made by the delegation sent to San Francisco to confer with Col. W. F. McGill, Jr. of the Western Command and Mr. Thomas C. Clark, Coordinator of Enemy Alien Control.

Evacuation Now Certain

Togo Tanaka, quoted Col. McGill as saying "All Japanese, citizens and

aliens, had better be prepared to evacuate themselves east of the Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountains within a short time.

"Eventually and ultimately there will be no exception.

"Although all the machinery and detailed programs for the evacuation and resettlement have not yet been worked out, it will be an orderly and voluntary evacuation."

Togo Tanaka added that "the Army would like to see us take the initiative," and stated that it was the same pill Governor Olson gave us sometime ago, but this time it was "easier to swallow."

Army Resettlement Board

Col. McGill was reported as having said that within a short time, the Army would designate a Federal agency for resettlement, and would assume the responsibility of finding new areas. "The immediate job is resettlement," he was quoted. The Federal Social Security Board, headed by Mr. Richard Neustadt in California, may be designated.

Fred Tayama supplemented Tanaka's report, stating that "the Army is worrying about how to win this war and Japanese problems must be subordinate to military needs."

Groups Becoming Crystalized

During the discussion that followed the report, it was made clear that one group insists on staying, while the other is for voluntary evacuation from defense areas.

The grouping is becoming crystalized.

To the former belong the nisei who insist on their "citizenship rights", mostly nisei who have businesses of their own and are capable of supporting themselves now.

The latter group comprise:

1. Those out of jobs and who have no immediate prospect of employment.
2. Those who have already moved out of prohibited areas, but have no plans for resettlement
3. Farmers who have to plan their investments at least 6 months ahead
4. Those who are in business now but would rather seek better opportunities elsewhere, due to the uncertainty of the future.

Can The Federation Make Good?

Voluntary evacuation would naturally be accompanied by hardships and sacrifices, but this latter group is willing to share America's war effort.

The problems of those people—resettlement—MUST be solved.

And it's up to the Federation to take the initiative and to show leadership.

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Exemptions
from Evac

Rules Are Laid Down for Aliens Exempt From Law

Aliens who are exempt from provisions requiring evacuation from proscribed zones are in three classifications, the alien evacuation coordinator said today.

The groups are: (1) Inmates of hospitals, sanitariums and institutions for the feeble minded, (2) those over 75 years of age, and (3) those who are so ill that their lives would be endangered by moving.

In the case of the first group, officials of the institutions must report to the nearest F.B.I. office the names of such alien patients.

Enemy aliens over 75 years don't have to do anything. They may remain where they are, but they must have evidence of their age.

Those in the third classification—those too ill to move, must report to the F.B.I. or have someone do so on their behalf. They must send a physician's certificate to the F.B.I., and if an alien has a registration number, that number should be on the doctor's certificate.

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FBI Heads New Alien Raids Near City ^{2/27}

Squads Move on Area Close to Air Field

In a concentrated drive against subversive activities in this area, squads of FBI men, accompanied by Sheriff Martin Ansbros's deputies and police officers, swooped down for the second time within a week on the homes of enemy aliens in and near Stockton.

They centered their raids in the district surrounding Stockton Field, and they sought contraband materials, and records of Japanese organizations whose purpose has been to collect funds—and information—for the Nipponese army.

45 MEN PARTICIPATE

Fifteen federal officers and at least 30 local investigators were participating in the raids, which followed by only five days the week-end round-up which netted 13 suspected aliens in San Joaquin County.

At 10:40 a. m. a detail brought in the first suspect, and brought with them the first bit of contraband—a short-wave radio receiver capable of receiving official broadcasts.

The man, an aged Japanese, gave his name at the county jail as Hichuemon Fujii, 65, farmer living at Route 4, Box 1682, in the French Camp area, only a short distance from the army's advanced air training base.

Shortly after noon, another squad apprehended T. Ito, trucker, living at 340 West Jefferson Street.

A third group, operating in Contra Costa County, took into custody a so far unidentified alien, who was en route to the Contra Costa County Jail at Martinez, at press time.

It was reported by H. C. Van Pelt, special agent acting in command of the San Francisco office of the FBI, that "more than a dozen" presidential warrants were in the hands of details here.

LEADS TO INFORMATION

Leads to the existence of secret organizations here, and to the existence of members, were obtained from records seized during the raids last week-end and from information supplied by intelligence division of the army and the navy in Northern California

sectors, it was learned.

Meanwhile, with 14 "strategic areas" in California newly added to the ever widening zones on the Pacific Coast from which all enemy aliens are barred, the Federal Bureau of Investigation today was engaged in the task of clearing obdurate Axis nationals from the prohibited areas.

Acting in concert with local law enforcement agencies FBI agents in California, Oregon and Washington continued their strenuous activities of the past several weeks, which netted hundreds of dangerous enemy aliens, in the government's drive to keep all aliens out of the forbidden zones.

It was disclosed that the FBI was now engaged in investigating complaints from civilians who reported that enemy alien residents of prohibited areas had not obeyed evacuation orders.

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Although no formal announcement has come from Government agencies, disposition of the seized aliens was clearly disclosed in Associated Press dispatches from Bismarck, N. D., which related that the Fort Lincoln internment camp now has a population of 1,500.

Of these, 700 were newly arrived Japanese, chiefly from Terminal Island in Los Angeles. Prior dispatches disclosed that CCC camps in New Mexico also are being converted into concentration camps for aliens.

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CIO urges fair treatment of Japanese before Tolan bearing in San Francisco

Testifying before Congressman Tolan's House Committee on Interstate Migration in San Francisco, Feb. 23, Louis Goldblatt, secretary-treasurer of the California State Industrial Union Council, CIO, urged unbiased vigilance and fair treatment on the burning Japanese question.

The CIO's stand was praised by both Togo Tanaka and Fred Tayama in their report to the United Citizens Federation council meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 25.

Following is a partial text of the CIO statement.

"The old flames of racial suspicion were fanned to full blaze. Publicity seekers spouted ill-considered and vigilante-inciting epithets against the Japanese born in this country. The Hearst press found a new field for its rantings about the 'yellow menace'. Politicians saw a good occasion to garner publicity. Soon the wolf-pack was in full cry.

"Let it be said that within this state there was heard but one voice of reason and understanding. It came from the second-generation Japanese, some of them members of our unions. They proposed the evacuation of all Japanese, both alien and citizens. Their proposal did not come from agreement with those who were leading the pack.

"It is well that the federal government has stepped into this situation, because the problem is national in scope and because there has been convincing demonstration that state and local authorities are not qualified to act in this matter.

"In the light of these developments no choice remained for the thousands of loyal Americans of Japanese parentage but to agree to general evacuation. To remain was to invite lawlessness and mob violence, to become a source of constant irritation.

"As some of these Japanese express it:

"We want to leave. Perhaps that is the greatest contribution we can make right now to the war. Maybe people will settle down to fighting the enemy instead of us, and go after the real fifth columnists."

"All they ask is fair treatment and a chance to show their loyalty and devotion to our nation by contributing to and participating in the war effort."

Among CIO recommendations, DOHO considers noteworthy:

THE JAPANESE QUESTION

1—We recognize this problem falls within federal jurisdiction and believe the federal government and military authorities should assume full responsibility in providing adequate safeguards for the Japanese, both alien and citizen.

2—We urge protection of personal property and real property from seizure. It must be the obligation of the federal government to prevent land grabbing, raiding of homes or racketeering at the expense of the Japanese and other aliens who are evacuated by military order.

3—The government should be responsible for providing humane treatment in the course of evacuation and for the settling of the Japanese where they can perform useful work for the nation.

Under no circumstances should families be broken up. This may be accomplished through the establishment of cooperative farms or placing Japanese in various industries. It is most important that Japanese, particularly the second generation Japanese Americans, be given the fullest opportunity to demonstrate their loyalty to this nation in the performance of useful work.

4—No concentration camps or forced labor should be imposed upon Japanese or other aliens.

Following their removal from military and strategic areas, tribunals should be provided for examination and an opportunity to establish loyalty. These Japanese who are enemy agents, or where there is reasonable doubt of their loyalty, should be interned and others should be accorded full civil liberties, the right of movement outside restricted areas, and the right to work and perform service to this country.

5—The federal government should assume the obligation of fair treatment and protection against vigilantism for the Japanese aliens and citizens following their evacuation and resettlement in other parts of the country.

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OUSTER OF ALL JAPANESE FROM COAST AREA DEBATED IN SENATE

Military Decrees Expected Hourly; F.B.I. Raids Go On; Morgenthau Says All Nipponese to Be Taken From Coast

Roosevelt Orders Navy to Control All Harbor Facilities

Solons Debate Removal of All Coast Japs

Aliens and Citizens Alike May Be Banned; New Decrees Awaited

Consideration of a new bill ordering the War Department to arrest all Japanese aliens throughout the Nation began in the U.S. Senate today as new military decrees were expected momentarily banning all Japanese from California West of the Sierra.

The new legislation was introduced by Senator Stewart (Tenn.) who urged immediate action.

His bill would direct the Secretary of War to take into custody "any person who is considered by the laws of any foreign power with whom we are at war, to be a citizen of such Nation and is of a race or nationality ineligible for naturalization in the United States."

JAPS INELIGIBLE

Japanese are "ineligible for naturalization."

Of California's 93,000 Japanese 33,000 are aliens.

The new military decrees adding to 111 areas in California, Oregon and Washington already barred to Japanese, German and Italian nationals were expected to be issued by Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt of the Western Defense Command either today or tomorrow.

It was predicted that General DeWitt, acting under presidential authority recently granted to him, might issue orders affecting thousands of American-born Japanese as well as aliens.

'EAST OF SIERRAS'

Assistant United States Attorney Norman Neukom said he had received "information from an authoritative source" that all San Diego Japanese, including the American-born second generation, would be ordered to move to areas "somewhere east of the Sierra."

He said he anticipated the order would come today.

Confirming reports that some persons were trying to force aliens to dispose of their property at "ridiculous prices," Neukom said the Government would safeguard the holdings of any persons who were moved out of the coastal area. He said his advice to aliens was to "sit tight and await the Government's action."

Hard-hitting Federal Bureau of Investigation agents continued their roundup of "dangerous and potentially dangerous enemy aliens" in the Lodi and Modesto areas today. Yesterday, 20 places were raided in the Stockton-Delta area and 14 Japanese were taken into custody. Large quantities of contraband were taken.

TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Seven of those arrested and booked "en route to the U.S. Immigration Service," were:

Nobuo Mikami, 53, Contra Costa rancher and president of a Japanese language school at Brentwood; Tomekichi It., 57, believed to be a possible relative of the former Japanese premier who has the same surname; Hichiemon Fujii, 65; Naichi Okamoto, 54; Saduichi Yamamoto, 59; Kabuo Ueda, 45, and Yokichi Nacagawa, 62.

Raiding officers unearthed \$25,000 in cash in a basement safe on Nacagawa's Acampo ranch which had been secreted there, they said, in violation of governmental freezing orders. A paid-up life insurance policy for \$3,000 was found on the premises also.

Agents said Mikami is a member of the Japanese Association at Stockton.

TRUNK SMASHED

Smashing open a locked trunk in the Brentwood home, agents found a volume containing photographs of Japanese planes and military in-

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formation concerning the Sino-Japanese war. A picture of Mikami in a Nipponese Army uniform was found also.

Agents said Mikami admitted he was a Japanese Army reservist. A box of .22 caliber blank shells suitable for signaling were found in the home.

Mikami, the agents added, was graduated from an agricultural college at Tokyo and his two daughters are attending college in Japan now. During his last visit to Japan in 1937-38, Mikami is said to have admitted he toured Japanese-occupied Shanghai, Tientsin and Peking.

SHORT WAVE SET

Agents seized a short wave radio receiver on Fujii's ranch which borders the Army's strategic advanced flying school base near Stockton.

In the Fresno area, agents arrested a Japanese whose warehouse had yielded a large quantity of ammunition in a previous raid. A 35 mm. projection camera was found in a Buddhist temple. Red and white signal flags mounted on bamboo poles were confiscated also.

In San Francisco F.B.I. men armed with a presidential warrant arrested Toski Kinoshita at his home at 3608 Sacramento Street. They said he was an official of the Japanese Association of America.

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The Nisei * *Feb. 27, 1942*

Editor The Chronicle — Sir:
Those who are acquainted with the population statistics of the Japanese-Americans know that they are now in the era of social, economic and physiological metamorphosis; 1942 marks the year in which over half of the 63,000 once removed Japanese in California will have reached maturity. With the bulk of the aliens reaching retirement age, it is the Niseis who are taking economic control and with it the awakening within their hearts, the true idea of Americanism. They are about to meet the full impact of the hardened world in the matter of vocations, of marriages and of psychological readjustments. Theirs is the problem of any immigrant descendants and, even more, for there has been the added item of discrimination.

If, upon all of these problems, the necessity of their evacuation is brought about, I, as one of their group, see no future for them. It will be the final bale of straw that broke the camel's back.

Because evacuation and its results will mean the economic, political and social dislocation of a group already faced with not too rosy a future and may consequently lead to the disintegration of what they would have contributed and the spread of defeatism and persecution complex among them. Why a repeat version of the

"Grapes of Wrath"? Because we are fifth columnists? I shudder at the thought that I might possibly be a modern Benedict Arnold.

Even now, as I type this letter, tonight's papers predict that we might possibly be evacuated in the next few days, and in that event I shall go wherever destiny may send me, but I ask Mr. Brandon Jr., Mr. Clark, Mr. Perry and Mr. Daley that after the war is over do not look upon some of us who may return to our native State with the same scornful stare accorded to the "Okies."

BARRY SAIKI,

U. C. Student.

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CANNERY INTERESTS

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SIGNIFICANT FIND

Underlining this estimate of Japanese was the disclosure by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents that in the effects of Tayatsuchi Otani, who was arrested at Lodi, they found a newspaper map apparently used in conjunction with President Roosevelt's recent "map talk," across the face of which had been scrawled:

"Clip this map two months from now.

"Liberty! Liberty! Liberty!"

'BLACK DRAGON' LINK

The agents added that material found in the possession of Nobuo Mikami, 53, Brentwood rancher and president of a Japanese language school there, indicated that he was linked with the dread Black Dragon military society.

Others arrested yesterday included Kaneshige Matsumoto, vice-president of the Heimusha Kai, fund-raising society to aid Japanese imperial forces; Toshimatsu Tsutakoka, Jitsuro Hiramoto and Seiichi Iwaniya. They were taken into custody in raids in the Lodi and Modesto areas.

At San Jose, police arrested Okamoto Azuko, 40, alien Japanese who had no alien registration card. On his person they found maps of several sections of the Pacific Coast.

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The Japanese problem entailed not only whether to move them but where.

"Nobody wants them," Rep. John H. Tolan, Oakland Democrat, said in an interview at Seattle, where his congressional committee is conducting hearings on the alien situation.

INLAND OPINION JELLS

"The committee has received numerous expressions from inland areas to that effect."

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Licenses

Meanwhile American-born Japanese were the target of two actions by the state board of equalization meeting in Sacramento. Upon motion by Fred Stewart of Oakland, the board revoked liquor licenses held by citizen Japanese. An earlier order had rescinded licenses of alien Japanese.

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U.S. Japs Lose State Jobs, Liquor Licenses

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 28. — (AP) — The State Board of Equalization has ordered the immediate suspension of all board employees of Japanese ancestry and the revocation of all liquor licenses held by persons of Japanese ancestry.

Previously the board had revoked liquor licenses held by alien Japanese and the new order extends the policy to American-born Japanese, board officials said.

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DIES

The Conquest of the United States (Made in Japan)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27 (AP)—A plan for Japanese conquest of the United States, written by Lieutenant Kiyokatsu Sato and included in the Dies Committee report made public tonight, envisions a war divided into these four phases:

1. Capture of Hawaii.
2. Destruction of the American fleet and the Panama canal.
3. Landings on the American West Coast, and Consolidation of forces west of the Rocky mountains.
4. An advance to the East Coast.

"We must at all costs, even with the sacrifice of a few vessels, take possession of Hawaii," the committee quoted Kiyokatsu's plan as saying.

"If the main squadron of America were in the Hawaiian waters at the outbreak of war, then a clash between the American and Japanese main fleet would have to take place somewhere between the islands and Yokohama. Should our navy emerge victorious from this battle, it would be able to occupy Hawaii, and its subsequent operations would be facilitated.

"The opposite result would compel the Japanese Navy to remain on the defensive and would render its operations extremely difficult. The great thing is, therefore, for Japan to see that hostilities are opened before the main strength of the American fleet is brought to Hawaii and that her naval operations take

place with lightning speed.

"On the assumption that Hawaii was captured by our navy, the Japanese forces could undertake, as the next step, the task of destroying the Panama canal and the main squadron of America.

"If the Japanese Navy succeeded in crushing the American Fleet in the Pacific, landing on the Pacific coast of America would become easy.

"Attacks should be made on the canal by an effective air fleet. The destruction of the canal and the American Fleet would literally be half the battle. Thus would end the second period of the war.

"The third period would begin with a landing of Japanese forces on the Western coast of the American continent and the work

of destroying the cities and naval ports on the West Coast.

"The next course would be to form the main line of defense along the Rocky mountains, so that our military troops might be massed in the occupied areas along the coast.

"Preparations made west of the Rockies, our army would now take the offensive and advance toward the East Coast. This would usher in the fourth and last period of the war.

"Each period would probably last several years; the third and fourth periods would last the longest. Thus the war would last at least four or five years; it might even drag out to several score years."

L. J. Chronicle

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Martin Dies

DIES BARES JAP PLAN, DECLARES COAST IN PERIL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (UP).—The Dies committee in a 285-page report on Japanese activities today expressed "Undisguised fear that our west coast and the Panama canal are still in the gravest peril from Japanese espionage and Japanese attack."

The report, based on information gathered in more than a year of special investigation, charged that the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor was but the first step in a long-range program of conquest "to crush the United States" and dominate the world.

The Japanese plan, which involved close cooperation between a well organized fifth column not only in American territorial and island possessions but also in continental United States, was finally set in motion, the Dies committee said, on direct orders from Adolf Hitler.

JAP PLAN REVEALED

Devised by Lieut. Gen. Kiyokatsu Sato, the plan of conquest, according to the report, was:

1. Conquest of Hawaii.
2. Destruction of the United States Pacific fleet and the Panama canal.
3. Landing of Japanese troops on the Pacific coast and establishment of a "line of defense" along the Rocky mountains while the coast region was mopped up.
4. An offensive across the continent to the industrial east.

The report quoted Sato as warning that the war might last "at least four or five years" and "might even drag out to several score years."

The committee, headed by Rep. Martin Dies, D., Texas, intended to publish what purported to be a map of "Japanese invasion plans" but did not.

MAP HELD UP

"This map," Dies explained, "is still in the hands of army intelligence and cannot be included in this report. It will, however, be made public later as a supplement."

Many pages of the report, larded with charts, codes, plans and secret maps seized by committee agents, were devoted to a "Japanese spy net of a most alarming character" on the west coast, in Hawaii and in the Panama canal area.

The committee, whose information came from special investigators, witnesses at public hearings throughout the country and informers familiar with Japanese language, religion, education and customs, accused Japan of aping the fifth column methods, especially among second generation Japanese ostensibly "loyal" to the United States.

HEADQUARTERS IN S. F.

Employing nazi techniques, the committee continued, the Japanese government established an espionage system among the so-called Nisei—Japanese born in this country and

therefore citizens—as well as in Hawaii and the Canal zone.

Headquarters of Japanese in this country was the Japanese Association of America, whose central offices were at San Francisco, and information gathered by Japanese spies was forwarded to Tokio where it was used in working out plans of conquest.

The original plan, world-wide in concept, was presented to the emperor of Japan in 1927 by Gen. Gilchi Tanaka, the report said. Called the Tanaka memorial, its thesis was: "We must first crush the United States."

PLAN OUTLINED

The report charged that Japanese naval officers, disguised as fishermen and aided for years by thousands of American-Japanese obtained:

1. Information about American shore installations and battleships.
2. Maps "showing in great detail fleet positions and battle formations... around Pearl Harbor" as well as "vital military information on the Panama canal and Philippine islands."
3. A map showing the radius of the naval patrol around the Hawaiian islands.
4. Complete information about the location of military bases, cables, railroads, radio stations and mines at Guam, Manila, Pearl Harbor, San Francisco bay and the Panama canal.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

5. Information which enabled the Japanese government to prepare a handbook of the United States fleet so up to date that it contained drawings of the battleships North Carolina and Washington, launched only a short time before the attack on Pearl Harbor.

6. Aerial photographs of every important city on the west coast and of the Gatun locks in the Panama canal.

Japanese spies in California, the report said, managed to occupy land areas "which were militarily but not agriculturally useful" and Japanese residents on Terminal island, near Los Angeles, frequently conferred with visiting officers of the imperial Japanese navy.

The Dies Report

Jap Spy Ring Uncovered On the Coast; Enemy Maps Of Strategic Areas Found

Un-American Activity Committee Turns Up Intensified Propaganda Techniques, Outright Espionage

By the Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27—A startling recital of years of Japanese spying on American military and naval activities and vital water and oil supplies, combined with careful scouting of the Pacific coastline, was unfolded tonight in a report of the Dies committee investigating un-American activities.

The committee, after investigating Japanese propaganda and espionage for more than a year, presented maps, pictures, intercepted messages and testimony to support its charges that Japanese, alien and American born, formed a menacing fifth column in California, Hawaii, the Philippine Islands and the Panama canal region.

DEFENSE PLANTS MARKED ON MAPS

It gave detailed accounts of Japanese efforts to learn all details of the great Los Angeles water system, and of heavy Japanese residence on Terminal island in San Pedro bay, where movement of the American fleet could be watched by Japanese "fishermen," who in reality were naval officers.

The report told also of espionage and anti-American activities of Japanese societies and Japanese language schools. It told of slow, thorough work of the Japanese in establishing themselves in California, especially the southern part, where they were in close proximity to army and naval establishments, and of the finding of maps prepared by the Japanese with all such defense establishments carefully marked.

"The Japanese government has demonstrated a definite interest in the water supply system of the city of Los Angeles," the report said. "In this connection it should be pointed out that the city of Los Angeles, together with its defense industries, is wholly dependent for its water supplies on water brought to the city by means of an aqueduct system."

DETAILS OF L. A. WATER SYSTEM SOUGHT

The report said that on June 29, 1934, K. Kageyama, Chancellor, Consulate of Japan, Los Angeles, wrote H. A. Van Norman, Los Angeles Chief Engineer and General Manager, Bureau of Water Works and

Supply, requesting detailed information on the city's water works system. Van Norman informed the local agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Commanding Officer at Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, and other officials of the Japanese request but was informed, the report said, they were not in position to advise him what to do.

The committee said, however, Van Norman did not give the Japanese the requested information although the Japanese tried from time to time to obtain it. It added, however, that afterward, the Japanese working through the city's civil service commission got 12 Japanese-Americans on the pay roll of the Department of Water and Power. This was done, the report continued, through Kiyoshi P. Okura, chief examiner for the Los Angeles Civil Service Commission.

Okura, it said, was an American-born son of Momota Okura, a Japanese war veteran who now has been arrested by the FBI. The report said that since the committee's exposure of the number of Japanese employed by the department, Mayor Fletcher T. Bowron of Los Angeles has dismissed all Japanese employed by the city.

JAPANESE SHOW LOYALTY TO EMPEROR

The committee report said its investigations had found that the American-born Japanese known as Nisei and the alien Japanese known as Issei "alike have displayed the strongest ties to Japan and to the Japanese Emperor." The report bore out charges made by members of the Pacific Coast congressional delegations that American-born Japanese were loyal to Japan, saying they were taught such loyalty and had those principles drilled into them from childhood. The delegations had charged that the American-born were just as dangerous in restricted areas as alien Japanese.

The committee said the Japanese government not only kept close tab on both alien and American-born Japanese but recently took a comprehensive census of all Japanese residing in this country.

"The Japanese government, work-

ing through the Japanese Consuls and allied agencies, such as the Central Japanese Association, Japan tourist Bureau, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and other Japanese organizations," the report continued, "has organized and financed Japanese language schools throughout California. Investigation has revealed that in December, 1941, there were 248 Japanese language schools, with 454 teachers and 19,310 pupils.

"The purpose of the language schools, according to the Japanese, is to encourage and perpetuate the Japanese language and culture among Japanese living in the United States," the report said. "Hitler has the same explanation for the German language schools which have been operating in headquarters of the German-American Bund."

The report said the Japanese schools were operated after than children had attended regular public schools. They were picked up in buses and taken to the schools and given two hours of training daily in Japanese language and "indoctrinated with Japanese ideals and traditions."

The investigation disclosed that sets of textbooks existed for schools, one set, usually shown to Occidental visitors contained objectionable text.

"However," the report said, "practically every page of the other preaches loyalty to Japan and treason against the American Government."

THE ROLE OF THEIR "FISHING FLEET"

Pupils were taught that the Japanese language kept the Japanese people united, it observed, and that "we must never forget—not even a moment—that we are loyal Japanese citizens." It added, the children were taught that no other country could compare with Japan and that while Hawaii physically belonged to the United States, the spirit and living habits were Japanese.

When the American-born Japanese leaves school, the findings continued, he is sent an unending flow of pro-Japanese and anti-American literature. The report quoted from one such publication, "The Future Road of the Nisei" (American-born Japanese) that Japan counted on them for aid in English-speaking countries, saying "We have seen to it they are well prepared for their task."

As evidence of the menace which existed in the large fleet of Japanese fishing boats, the committee said it was an historical record that two such boats warned the Japanese fleet in 1905 of the approach of the Russian fleet, making possible a Japanese victory. It added

Japanese fishing boats had played an important part in Japan's attack upon Pearl Harbor.

Japanese fishermen were active in aiding Japanese in the attack on Davao in the Philippine islands, the report said, adding:

"It is an established fact that Japanese submarines have recently appeared off the coast of California and Panama and have been successful in sinking a number of United States oil tankers. It is pointed out elsewhere in this report that Japanese naval officers have been members of the Japanese fishing fleet operating off the California coasts.

"Proof that the Japanese submarines are manned by naval officers wholly familiar with the California coast line is found in the fact that these submarines have been operating so closely to the shore that the sinking of a tanker by a Japanese submarine was witnessed by persons standing on the shore."

LEGISLATION TO BAN THE FLEETS FOUGHT

The committee included in its report a telegram sent last May by two of its agents from Los Angeles saying approximately 250 Japanese-

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operated fishing boats were in the harbor. They warned of the danger and said there were numerous alien Japanese seamen on the coast and no effort was being made to round them up. They warned that such fishing boats could be converted to mine sweepers, patrol craft and naval tenders.

The telegram said "the Van Camp Packing Company and the California Packing Company have financial interests in continuance of the Japanese fishing fleets and have fought all legislation which had for its purpose the elimination of the Japanese fishing boat menace."

The telegram said there were 3500 to 5000 Japanese alien and citizens on Terminal Island in Los Angeles harbor, which is adjacent to Reeves Field naval base, Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Union Oil and Refining Company, drydocks and oil and butane storage tanks. It said approximately \$500,000,000 worth of defense projects were located on the island and that they had been informed "reliable persons in the Army and Navy are not concerned over this condition."

The telegram said there were 57 Japanese cultural societies called "Kens" in Los Angeles and all Japanese aliens were members of kens.

ALL VESSELS ARE WELL EQUIPPED

The Japanese fishing boats, the committee related, were financed by packing companies and it quoted a report of the State Fish and Game

Commission that canneries furnished the Japanese with the boat and equipment, turning over ownership to them but holding a mortgage on the outfit until it was paid for. That report said investigations had shown very few of the Japanese had paid for their boats, which, it said, are registered as Japanese-owned.

The committee quoted an unnamed witness as having testified many of the Japanese fishermen were officers or members of the Japanese navy or naval reserve. It quoted another witness having said the fishing crews became totally Japanese as soon as they were clear of the American shore, frequently hoisted Japanese flags, took pictures of the shore lines and any American naval vessel encountered, that they had powerful radio equipment, capable of communicating with Tokyo, and that many crew members had costly cameras.

MOTION PICTURES OF U. S. VESSELS

The committee quoted from testimony of a special police officer on duty at the fish harbor on Terminal Island, who said when ships under Japanese registry docked at the harbor members of the crews would go to Japanese homes and spend "many hours in deep conversation pertaining to the American fleet anchored in the harbors of San Pedro and Long Beach."

The witness was reported to have added that at one such conference

he had entered a Japanese home and found a large gathering. Later a Japanese came in and showed pictures of Hitler in his army uniform, saying "there was much applauding and bowing."

The witness said one Japanese on the island had excellent pictures of naval vessels, including the Saratoga and Lexington, and a very expensive photographic set. He said he had observed F. Mio, who had boasted he was "one of the best spies there is," and also had seen a powerful telescope upstairs over his restaurant. The room in which the telescope was located, he continued, commanded an excellent view of Long Beach and San Pedro harbors, where the American fleet would anchor. When the owners learned he knew of the telescope, he said, it was dismantled and taken away.

The witness described other activities which he believed were connected with espionage or smuggling and said his efforts to have them investigated by Federal authorities had failed.

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

Meanwhile in San Diego, Assistant United States Attorney Norman Neukom reported that plans were being drawn up to evacuate hundreds of Japanese from that vital defense area "to somewhere east of the Sierra," possibly as a prelude to complete evacuation of all California Japanese, citizens and aliens alike.

All through the state it was increasingly obvious that Californians, particularly those in charge of defense activities, were growing more willing to ship the men of the Mikado and their offspring to less vital areas of the nation.

Federal officers already have announced that 14 new prohibited areas from which enemy aliens will be banned, would be announced today or tomorrow.

There was a strong belief in official quarters here that some parts of San Joaquin County and Stockton would be included in these new prohibited zones.

More than 8000 aliens, at least 100 of them in Stockton, already have been forced to move from zones surrounding military installations, docks, defense works and power plants.

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DeWitt Prepares Drastic Alien Ouster Proclamation

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3-State Jap Ban Readied By DeWitt

Final revisions were believed being made today by Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, Western defense commander, on a sweeping military proclamation which may ban some 200,000 enemy aliens and many of their citizen-children from major portions of California, Oregon and Washington.

General DeWitt and Thomas G. Clark, West Coast alien co-ordinator, held a lengthy conference again last night.

Some believed the proclamation, which would be issued under recently-granted presidential authority, might be so stringent that enemy aliens and their second-generation descendants would be barred from coastal States entirely.

AIMED AT NATIONALS

Primarily, however, the impending move was aimed against Japanese Nationals who, authorities fear, are the fountainhead for much espionage, sabotage and fifth column activity. Japanese, German and Italian Nationals have been forbidden to enter 111 strategic military areas in the three States since February 24.

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13 Additional Japanese Are Jailed Here ^{2/26}

Tension Increases as Alien Enemies' Homes Searched

Increasing tension in the problem of what to do with California's 93,000 Japanese was focused on Stockton today as federal officials completed a round-up of 13 San Joaquin County Nipponese suspected of subversive activity potentialities. This makes a total of 26 arrests here in the past few days.

Throughout yesterday and most of last night raiding squads headed by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents, Sheriff Martin Ansbro's deputies and special details of police descended on Japanese homes in several sections of the county. The round-up was shifted to the Modesto area where further arrests are expected today.

FIND CONTRABAND

They searched dozens of houses, brought to light large quantities of contraband material and where they found indications of possible fifth column activity, they hustled the occupants to the county jail and booked them "en route to United States Immigration."

Today the 13 men arrested in this county, plus another picked up in Brentwood and lodged in the Contra Costa County jail, were taken under heavy guard to San Francisco, traveling in army trucks.

In the Bay city officials will more thoroughly investigate the men and decide whether they are to be released or interned for the duration of the war.

WORD FROM FBI

The word from FBI headquarters was:

"We're not through in this area yet."

Listed on the jail books as arrested in this county were:

MEN UNDER ARREST

Hichuemon Fugii, 65, farmer living near Stockton Field, on

whose premises was found a short wave radio receiving set.

Raymond T. Ito, 57, trucker, 340 West Jefferson Street.

James Naoichi Okamoto, 54, 140 South Monroe Street.

Kazuo Ueda, 45, 301 Moss Avenue, whose personal papers, it was reported, revealed he had banked \$25,000 in Stockton since December 4, and that the amount could not have been produced by the small farm operated by him and his three brothers.

Saduichi Yamamoto, 59, Route 2, Box 160-B, Lodi.

Yakichi Nakagawa, 62, farmer, Acampo.

Toyotachi Otoni, 59, Lodi farmer.

Shinkuro Ishida, 54, Lodi merchant.

Toshimatsu Tsutaoka, 39, Route 2, Box 93, Lodi.

Jitsuruo Hiramoto, 51, Route 3, Box 211, Lodi.

Seiichi Iwaniya, 44, Route 1, Box 74, Acampo.

Kanishige Matsumoto, 37, Victor.

Shisaku Yoshimoto, 56, Route 2, Box 49, Acampo.

BRENTWOOD ARREST

In Brentwood, a detail arrested Nobio Mikami, 48, Balfour Avenue resident who admitted he was a former Japanese army officer now on reserve and that he had visited Japan recently. Voluminous information concerning the Sino-Japanese war, plus records of a secret Japanese organization, were found in his home, it was reported.

Many of those arrested in this county were former officers of the Jap army, officers said.

In the Lodi vicinity, the squads by their arrests smashed a colony of Japanese members of "very pro-Japan organizations," it was revealed.

Contraband seized included cameras, motion picture film and projectors, cartridges, shot gun shells, two signal flags, knives, a large number of paper records and a longbow and four sharpened arrows.

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SEATTLE, Feb. 28.—(P)—Rep. John H. Tolan (D., Calif.), chairman of the congressional committee checking up on the West Coast enemy alien problem, expressed opposition today to internment of Japanese in abandoned CCC camps. "Most of these camps are where there is timber," the California congressman declared in an interview.

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Senator Robert W. Kenny of Los Angeles, committee chairman, made public the committee's letter to Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, Fourth Army commander at the San Francisco Presidio, which pointed out that enemy aliens, particularly Japanese, operate and work on many California farms.

The letter added that until the army's intentions for handling the Japanese are completed "California farm operators cannot plan their agricultural production, with the season of planning already here."

TULARE SITUATION

Tulare County and the Woodland area are cited in testimony before the committee as typical agricultural areas disturbed by the unsettled Japanese situation.

M. W. Dula of Visalia, heading a Tulare county delegation to the hearing here, said Japanese were farming about 30,000 acres in that county.

"We would like to see a co-

ordinator named," he told the Senate Interim Committee on economic planning, "to see that there is no interruption in production if these Japanese are moved from the land."

S. S. Deley of Woodland, representing the Associated Farmers, Inc., said Japanese produced about 30 per cent of the tomatoes in that area and much of the sugar beets.

"In the past," he added, "most of the actual labor on these Japanese farms has been by Filipino workers, but we expect that may be changed."

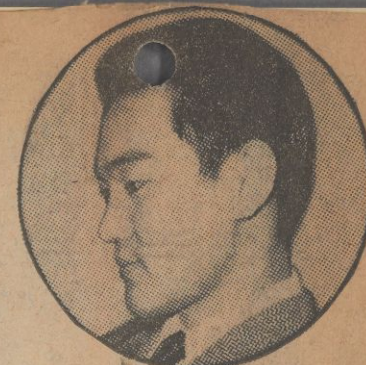
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Japanese-American (and some other) children in school, sing "America," flanked by busts of Washington and Lincoln

Problem People

Japanese-Americans On the West Coast



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Japanese draftees in the U. S. Army welcomed at get-together of the Japanese-American Citizens' League.

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It described her as vice president of the Los Angeles branch, Women's Patriotic Society of Japan, head of the Southern California Federation of Women's societies, and president of the Koyasan Buddhist Temple Women's Society and adviser of her Ken organization.

"And she has long been suspected of being a Japanese navy spy and the medium through which various messages were sent to the Japanese government," the report continued. "It was reported to the committee that in 1935 a Japanese named Tarri was involved in an automobile accident near Gardena, Cal., which caused his death, and among his effects was a notebook setting forth information to the effect that local Japanese who were spying for the Japanese navy sent their information to 117½ Weller street, where, in turn, it was picked up by Japanese naval officers on tankers when they put into Los Angeles harbor and thence transmitted to the Japanese navy in Tokyo."

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Ford Wants War Office To Pay Japanese Aliens

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(AP)—Representative Leland Ford, Republican of California, today proposed that the costs of relocating Japanese aliens be paid by the war department to avoid "vexatious questions" regarding the amount of payment to individuals for work performed.

He made public a telegram to Milton E. Eisenhower, war relocation authority director in San Francisco, urging such a procedure be followed.

Ford said he has been informed by the provost marshal general's office interned aliens will be paid on Work Projects Administration scales of from \$45 to \$85 a month from WPA funds for certain types of work. From these sums, the aliens would pay for their board and other internment expenses.

Communications from his constituents have indicated, Ford said, "dissatisfaction and disapproval of payments to Japanese" principally on the ground Japanese should not be paid up to \$85 "to live in safety" when American soldiers are receiving \$21 a month "to risk their lives".

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New Ban *Post-Enquirer* On Aliens *Feb 28* Hinted

New and stringent military restrictions on the lives and activities of enemy aliens and many of their citizen children neared today following a conference between army and alien control officers.

The belief that a military proclamation affecting aliens and citizens alike was forthcoming was strengthened by the arrival in San Francisco from Los Angeles of Tom C. Clark, the justice department's western alien control coordinator.

Clark went into conference with Lieut. Gen. John L. De Witt, western defense commander, upon his arrival.

General De Witt holds power invested in him by presidential executive order to designate "military areas" from which all persons, regardless of nationality or citizenship, may be banned or subjected to restrictions.

CITIZEN JAPANESE

Although it was believed a proclamation was being drafted, 4th army headquarters could release no information on when it would be made public or the scope of the orders.

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Pictures



This is a picture page showing a people interrupted in the course of changing nationality. They are the Nisei—second generation Japanese-Americans—members of a sizeable California minority that has suddenly become alien. The fathers of many of the young men (above) had fruit and flower farms near United States oil fields, airport and aircraft factories. They've become suspect, while their sons are attending U. S. schools, reading about George Washington, taking on Occidental ways, working in U. S. factories and serving in the U. S. Army. Most of the Nisei fathers and sons have declared absolute loyalty to the United States. But since Pearl Harbor, when the

Japs suddenly became devils wearing quaint kimonos, U. S. civilians and the military trust no Jap father than they can see him. Suddenly remembered are Japanese habits and peculiarities, such as the habit of crossing whenever possible to visit the ancestral home. With alien and first generation Japanese, there is no problem. But the Nisei are, by right of birth, citizens of the United States. No Japanese immigrant may attain United States citizenship, but his children may. The alien Japanese in the Nation today number 41,000; the Japanese-American citizens number over 100,000. Are they to be trusted?

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Pictures



An incident in attempt to be Americans—Japanese women under dryers at beauty parlor.

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GLEASON REVELATION

Meanwhile, Sheriff H. P. Gleason of Alameda County revealed portions of the contents of the Tokyo-published dictionary of the Kendyusha Japanese language school at Alvarado.

Gleason was authority for the statement that the text had been used there and had been found in possession of M. Tgutsui, secretary of a Japanese association who was taken into custody on February 21.

After stating in the foreword that "should emergency arise, offer yourselves courageously to the State; and thus guard and maintain the prosperity of our Imperial Throne co-equal with heaven and earth," the text adds:

"The way here set forth is indeed the teaching bequeathed by Our Imperial Ancestors, to be observed alike by their descendants and the subjects, infallible for all ages and true in all places."

The text apparently was written primarily for Japanese subjects but had been utilized, Gleason said, in local language schools.

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State Indignant at Delay, Says Scribe

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Citizenry Roused at Leisurely Pace Of Jap Removal, Knox-Stimson Battle

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(Editor's Note: Sigrid Arne, A.P.-Wide World writer, came to California to see how the people reacted to war. Here is the dispatch she sent East.)

By SIGRID ARNE

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—(A.P.-Wide World)—This State's Mister and Missus don't mind having their backyards turned into a new front line, if that's to be. But they're plenty sick and tired of the "little man who wasn't there" quality to their daily drama.

They're not frightened. But they are irritated. And it's Washington that's taking the behind-the-doors drubbing.

Here are the big beefs:

What are we waiting for about the Japanese? Let's move them all—alien and native born—inland. It's obvious the Army is doing it by slow stages. Why not right away? It seems silly out here for a congressional committee to be running up and down the Coast asking questions when the F.B.I. raids have told this story: Guns, short wave radios, floodlights found in Japanese shacks. Does Washington, ask Mister and Missus, think the Japanese were just preparing for charades?

NOT WANTED INLAND

Most inland cities don't want the Japs either. There was a loud protest when Orange County discovered some Japanese negotiating for use of a 1000 acres. Several towns have protested new floods of Coast Japanese, moving inland. It's pretty obvious that Washington will have to set up concentration camps in the long run. For heaven's sakes, what are we waiting for? asks California.

What about the night Los Angeles' 3,000,000 people shivered in the early morning watching "ack-ack" guns pepper the sky with noise and flying shrapnel? That's the real headache on the West Coast.

HOW ABOUT IT?

There are plenty of pertinent questions asked about that.

First, say Mister and Missus, we've heard the alert was sounded several minutes before the planes—if there were planes—arrived overhead. If that's so, where were the American interceptor planes? Certainly not in the sky.

All right, all right. Suppose our planes stayed on the ground so the ack-ack guns could fire? What did the guns bring down? Not a cock-eyed thing; except their own flying shrapnel which did plenty of damage. That is, if there were planes.

That's where the "little man who wasn't there" begins to rear his ugly head.

Then Secretaries Stimson of War, and Knox of Navy, really dragged the little man out for full dress parade. Knox said, "No planes were over the city." Stimson said, "There were 15 planes."

WHO'S RIGHT?

So what are Mister and Misses to believe? They're divided. Some think Knox was right and the anti-aircraft firing was just a shake-down cruise. Some swear they saw the planes, and believe that Stimson was right, and they want to know why Knox is sticking his neck out.

But they get together at this point: They think Washington begins to sound like Pearl Harbor. One auto salesman told me he'd personally fly to Washington, if need be, to introduce Stimson to Knox. Better yet, he'd prefer a single "war secretary."

People in California are touchy on the subject of a Navy and an Army working in hermetically sealed G.H.Q.'s. They're sick of reading in one story that the Navy brought down so many planes during the day, and then reading in another story that the Army also brought down some planes. It doesn't sound like the same war. They

want to know if the Army and Navy finally have achieved some inter-office telephones—and if they use them. That's, of course, the Pearl Harbor hangover, and California is about 3000 miles closer to Pearl Harbor than Washington.

COMFORTING THOUGHT

There is this ray of sunshine through the Los Angeles murk. The citizens finally know they're ringed by a great many anti-aircraft guns—even if they didn't bring down any of Stimson's 15 planes. Pardon us, Knox.

Air raid wardens are finding people much more willing to obey orders. But the O.C.D. volunteers are sick of waiting for help from Washington. They're forming "block clubs." Everyone in the city block meets once a week in one family's parlor, for the gruesome reason that they want to know who to dig for, if the time comes. They're chipping in for hose, ladders—and they're shopping around hopelessly for stirrup pumps. They just hope nobody brings up gas masks. They know that will take Washington another six months.

GAS TANKS FILLED

There's a noticeable number of auto owners who keep their gas tanks full, just in case they have to drive the family suddenly to the hills. There's been an up in defense bond buying, in enlistments for the armed forces. Moving companies report a terrific rush of people storing furniture, or hauling it inland.

But California still has Hollywood and its gags.

The day Stimson threw down Knox a gagster rushed onto a movie set, waving the paper, and shouting, "F'gosh sakes. Now Stimson has declared war on Knox."

And Bob Hope explained away Los Angeles' night with the ack-ack guns with this: "Forget it. It was just W. C. Fields going home with John Barrymore."

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Curfew

Curfew Observed

The curfew which went into effect in Military Area No. 1 last night requiring enemy aliens and Japanese Americans to remain in their homes between 8 P. M. and 6 A. M. apparently was observed closely by the persons affected. Only two arrests were reported.

One was in Madera where a German alien was arrested while trying to buy liquor at 8:30 P. M. and the other was in Sacramento where Aladino Del Porto, 50, of 1000 G Street, who stated he is an Italian alien, was arrested at 3 A. M. today.

The police say he was intoxicated.

De Witt Issues Order

Meanwhile Lieutenant General John L. De Witt, commander of the Western Defense Command and the 4th Army, signed his fourth wartime proclamation actuating his previously announced order prohibiting enemy aliens and Japanese Americans from voluntarily evacuating Military Area No. 1 after tomorrow midnight. This is preliminary to an army controlled evacuation plan being worked out.

Another provision of the curfew order is that during daylight hours aliens and Japanese Americans cannot travel more than five miles from their homes except to visit a Wartime Civil Control Administration office to adjust their personal and business affairs preparatory to evacuation.

General De Witt declared violation of either the curfew or traveling orders will result in serious penalties under a new congressional act which provides for a fine of \$5,000 or a jail term of one year.

No Exemptions

General De Witt emphasized there will be no exemptions to the curfew and traveling orders. The military area to which the orders apply include the territory from the Pacific Ocean for 150 miles inland to a line roughly running down through the middle of Washington, Oregon and California and across the southern part of Arizona and also separated "spot" zones in other places in California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona and in Nevada, Utah, Idaho and Montana.

Another order affecting Japanese Americans will take effect Tuesday, that of prohibiting them from possessing any contraband material such as cameras, signal devices, firearms, explosives, short wave radios, etc.

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Large Cache Of Weapons Is Found

SAN DIEGO, March 28.—(UP)—Seizure of the largest cache of contraband weapons and ammunition in San Diego since December 7th was reported today by Harold Nathan, head of the district Federal Bureau of Investigation office.

Nathan said his agents discovered two ceremonial swords, a shotgun, four pistols, four rifles, three boxes of ammunition and a home made radio when they arrested two members of a Japanese alien family yesterday.

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QUICK ACTION SEEN ON MOVING JAPANESE ALIENS, CITIZENS 2/29

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28 (AP)—The West Coast's biggest question—whether to move the Japanese, both alien and American-born, farther inland, even possibly outside all coastal states—appeared headed toward an early answer today.

The man who has the power of decision, Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, held important conferences last night with Tom C. Clark, West Coast alien co-ordinator.

Gen. DeWitt, Western defense commander of the Fourth Army Area, recently was authorized by President Roosevelt to establish "military areas" wherever he deems advisable, and to remove from those areas all persons whose presence he considers inadvisable.

Clark said in Los Angeles earlier this week he looked for an expansion of the prohibited zones from which enemy aliens—Japanese, Germans and Italians—have been barred since February 24. He said he expected an announcement by today. At San Diego, Norman Neukom, assistant United States attorney, asserted such an announcement also would deal with American-born Japanese.

ALIEN ESTIMATE

All enemy aliens in California, Oregon and Washington are estimated roughly at 200,000 with the Japanese the largest group.

The Fourth Army Command, saying it had received plans from Washington, announced that enemy alien guard companies and prisoner-of-war escort companies are now being organized.

"Their duties will be to operate prisoner-of-war and enemy aliens' camps and enclosures," said the announcement. It did not elaborate.

The Japanese problem entailed not only whether to move them, but where.

ALL UNWANTED

"Nobody wants them," said Representative John H. Tolan (Dem., Calif.) at Seattle, where his congressional committee is holding a hearing today on the West Coast enemy alien situation.

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Continuing FBI raids, which already have rounded up more than 6000 Japanese since the war with Japan began, resulted in the finding of large quantities of rice in defense areas hastily evacuated by the Japanese. Sheriff's officers at Los Angeles said the discoveries indicated the Japanese had prepared for a long siege in event of a blitz attack on the Southern California coast.

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N. California F.B.I. Raids Net 36 Japs

Oakland, 16 Other
Cities in Sweep for
'Dangerous' Aliens

Thirty-six "potentially dangerous" Japanese aliens were rounded up yesterday as F.B.I. agents and local authorities co-operated in a co-ordinated series of raids that struck in Oakland and 16 other Northern California communities.

The raids, most widespread since those of March 6, got under way at dawn and continued long after nightfall.

The raiding parties, acting on an interchange of information between F.B.I., Naval Intelligence and Army Intelligence, acted as the Government prepared for large-scale evacuation of enemy aliens and American-born Japanese from Coastal military zones.

The raids yesterday, directed principally against members and officials of the Military Virtue Society and Japanese priests, were made in an attempt to round up all dangerous Japanese aliens before the enforced evacuations from the coastal areas. The "freezing" order going into effect tonight was believed to indicate that the enforced evacuation date would be set shortly.

F.B.I. headquarters in San Diego reported seizure from two Japanese of two swords, a shotgun, four pistols, four rifles, three boxes of ammunition and a home-made radio as the largest individual cache of contraband found in that area.

Among the 36 taken into custody was Mitsuzo Uyeda, 53, proprietor of a restaurant at 222 Eighth Street, whom officers declared to be an officer of the Japanese military organization. Born in Japan, Uyeda has resided in California for the past 42 years and in Alameda County since 1939.

In Contra Costa County, raiders apprehended Mentaro Ide, 74, retired, widely-known Concord district rancher. He has been a resident of the county for 40 years.

Explaining the concentration on Japanese priests, Nat J. L. Pieper, special agent in charge of the San Francisco FBI office, said they were leaders of Shinto sect churches.

TWO SECTS REPRESENTED

Several of those arrested were priests of the Konkokyo Church while others represented the Tenrikyo Church, both of which origin-

ated in Japan and whose priests were born in Japan.

"Each of these forms of religious belief," Pieper asserted, "is based upon worship of the Japanese emperor as a deity."

Priests, churches and missionary work of the Konkokyo Church are controlled in Japan, Pieper continued. The church professes belief in gods of the universe considered to confine their divine spheres to Japan and is strongly pro-Japanese. The Tenrikyo Church, he said, advocates worship of the forces of nature and regards these forces as gods, with the sun as the supreme god. The soul of the sun god is purported to have founded the reigning house in Japan, Pieper noted, and hence the emperor is worshipped as of divine origin.

LINKS WITH HOMELAND

"Investigation has disclosed," Pieper concluded, "that priests of the Tenrikyo churches receive instructions and supplies from their headquarters in Japan and that Konkokyo worshippers believe their bodies belong to their god and their sovereign, who is the emperor of Japan."

The latest drive brought to almost 1000 the number of aliens apprehended in Northern California since December 7. Raiders were reported active in more than a score of communities. Many of the areas had been visited several times previously.

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TERMINAL ISLE ORDER.

The declaration of policy came as Lieut. Gen. John L. De Witt, western defense commander, issued his second "exclusion order." It affects 3,000 Japanese living near Terminal Island, in Los Angeles Harbor, and orders them to report to the "assembly center" at Santa Anita race track on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The 3,000 are entirely apart from an additional 2,000 who will leave the Los Angeles area Wednesday and Thursday to go direct to the reception center at Manzanar. The 2,000, relatives of persons who voluntarily evacuated to help prepare the Manzanar camp, displayed a flurry of panic yesterday, dispatches said. They besieged Government offices following spread of rumors that

the new "freezing" order contemplates the separation of families.

General De Witt immediately issued a statement reiterating that policy is against separation of families.

San Francisco, thus far ignored in the construction of assembly centers for evacuees, received a "temporary detention camp" yesterday when authorities took over the former SRA camp for single men at Sharp Park. The camp will be used to house arrested aliens pending hearings.

I. F. Wixon, district director of immigration, disclosed that 191 aliens were immediately sent to the new camp, which now has accommodations for 600 and can be enlarged to accommodate 1,200. Guards from Mexican border stations were placed on duty, and the camp was enclosed in a high, fine mesh and barbed wire topped fence.

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The following classes, however, are eligible to apply for exemption under General DeWitt's new orders: German and Italian aliens 70 or over; patients in hospitals and others too ill or incapacitated to be moved without danger to life; German and Italian aliens dependent for support upon a member of the United States armed forces or a person killed in line of duty in the U. S. forces since the start of the war; inmates of orphanages, and the deaf, dumb and blind.

Also subject for exemption applications are German and Italian aliens awaiting naturalization who have been present with their witnesses and paid a \$5 filing fee to the clerk of court on or before last December 7.

UP TO DRAFT BOARDS

Selective Service Boards of the applicants' districts will pass on applications for exemptions from the curfew and evacuation orders. (Details of the machinery of exemption on Page Two.)

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ALIENS

Off the Coast

The 2000 Japanese who met in Los Angeles' Little Tokyo were bewildered, frightened or angry, according to their temperament. They jabbered and bowed. They wanted a leader badly, and Tokie Slocum looked like their man. Tokie Slocum got his name from the Minot, N. D., Americans who adopted him. He fought in the first World war and had been a rabid American Legionaire. It was Slocum who led the successful fight to get citizenship for all Japanese who served in World War I. Now it was Tokie Slocum who shouted:

"Where the hell are we headed for? Are we all going to Missoula, Montana (a concentration camp)? . . . I don't think we are going, even if the damned *Los Angeles Times* wants it. . . . What's all this damned nonsense about me getting \$25 a head when I pointed men out to the FBI? And \$50 when they checked in at Missoula? It's a lie! I'll tell the FBI anything I can, but I'm not getting money for it. I'm the best damned American citizen in this country, even if I am a Jap—and I can prove it."

Excited Tokie Slocum put into words the feelings of alien and American-born Japanese alike, but he offered no solution. The people of Oregon, Washington and California were themselves angry and a little frightened. Still fresh in mind was the lesson of Pearl Harbor.

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Squads of Officers Scour Stockton, Vicinity Today

Several Japanese Leaders Booked in 25 Raids Here Directed by FBI

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Nat J. L. Peiper, head of FBI activities in this region, announced in a telephone conversation from San Francisco that 112 enemy aliens had been booked in Northern California cities at 2 p. m. today.

Ten squads of 31 federal, city and county officers today launched an estimated 25 raids in Stockton and vicinity as part of the greatest spy hunt in the history of the West.

Striking simultaneously with 100 Federal Bureau of Investigation officers in every major population center in Northern California, the local raiders at 1 p. m. had booked four suspects "en route to Immigration" at the San Joaquin County Jail. Police, deputy sheriffs, FBI men and representatives of the Military Intelligence Service participated in the Stockton raids.

FOUR BOOKED EARLY

Those booked were as follows:

Dr. Kensuke Akimoto, 61, whose office is at 18 South El Dorado Street and who lives at 430 West Charter Way. Akimoto is a past president of the Japanese Association, disbanded two days ago.

Kameichi Ichiho, 40, Lodi Route 1, Box 376, who formerly operated a candy store at 30 East Washington. Ichiho allegedly is secretary of a pro-Japanese organization.

D. K. Tamura, 40, French Camp, secretary of the Stockton Japanese Association, with headquarters at 44 South El Dorado Street.

Walter Takeo Atsumi, 43, 26 East Washington, alleged treasurer of a pro-Japanese organization.

BOOKS, PAPERS TAKEN

Dr. Akimoto was arrested at his home, where officers confiscated several books and papers.

Ichiho, who recently moved to his Lodi address, had his personal belongings packed as though prepared to leave, officers said. He was arrested at a near-by ranch. Officers declared Ichiho was secretary of the Stockton Chapter of Muchi Ci, a pro-Japanese organization interested in collecting funds for the welfare of Japanese soldiers and sailors.

FRENCH CAMP RANCHER

Tamura, seized at his home, was taken by officers to the office of the Stockton Japanese Association, where they seized a large quantity of records. Included in the material confiscated was a large Japanese flag. Tamura, a college graduate, operates a 30-acre ranch at French Camp, where he resides with his wife and three children. Officers were checking reports he was a reserve officer in the Japanese Army. They said

they found checks at the ranch made out by Tamura to the Japanese counsel in San Francisco.

GERMAN HELMET

Atsumi was arrested at his combination store and home at 26 East Washington Street, allegedly as the treasurer of the local chapter of Muchi Ci. He has lived here 17 years. A brother, John Choichi Atsumi, who returned to Japan in 1940, took an engineering course at the College of the Pacific and also attended the University of Michigan. The raiders confiscated a German army helmet, which Atsumi said he used at a picnic.

Striking at dawn, the local police began their round-up simultaneously with officers in every major population center and many small towns which were on the list for investigation. In some cases, towns which had already yielded a harvest of aliens and contraband were again the objective of intensive searches.

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War
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U. S. Attorney General Biddle ruled that no relaxation of the regulations would be allowed to permit the aged and infirm, or those aliens living with naturalized sons and daughters to remain in a forbidden area.

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Eraser

In California, the Federal Government prepared to clear 10,000 enemy nationals from their homes between February 15 and 24. Notices will be in the mail tomorrow morning.

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Bandits Rob Homes of Japanese

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Four men held up three Japanese on Ryer Island near Courtland last night and fled after wounding one Japanese in the thigh on the Gwerder Ranch.

The Sacramento County sheriff's report said the men entered the home of K. Owomoto and H. Hashimoto, threatened them with guns and clubs, and took \$70. During the robbery, Iki Ikenoue entered the house and was shot three times by the intruders.

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Violence

Second Japanese Is Murdered

Rooming House Prop. Shot in Dark Hall

The second alien Japanese to be mysteriously slain here since the outbreak of the war died shortly after midnight last night as police were rushing him to the Emergency Hospital, after he was shot twice in a rooming house at 25 East Washington Street.

He was Shigemasa (Frank) Yoshioka, 43, operator of the rooming house and a registered enemy alien.

SIMILARITY IN CRIMES

Capt. of Detectives James C. Dewey said there was a striking similarity in the methods used in murdering Yoshioka and J. Kino, 40, operator of a garage at 305 South El Dorado Street, who was cut down by an unseen murderer who shot him through a doorway and fled.

ROOMERS HEAR SHOTS

Two roomers in Yoshioka's establishment said they heard the night bell ringing several times about 12:05 a. m. They heard Yoshioka go to the door and start to lead the unknown caller to a room. Two shots crashed out and the roomers, T. Yanaka and Frank Leo, said they heard footsteps hurrying down the stairs to the street.

WIFE FINDS DYING MAN

Mrs. Yoshioka, aroused by the shot, found her husband lying on the hallway floor. There was a bullet wound in his chest and one in the groin.

She called a friend, H. Watanaba, 232 West Washington

Street, who hastened to the rooming house and notified police as soon as he saw Yoshioka bleeding on the floor.

MADE NO STATEMENT

A squad of police hastened to the scene and Yoshioka was placed in the police ambulance. He lost consciousness on the way to the Emergency Hospital and died as he was being carried inside.

Officers said he made no statement concerning his slayer before he lost consciousness.

Two empty cartridges from a .45 caliber pistol were found on the floor and one of the heavy slugs which pierced Yoshioka's body was found in the wall.

ROBBERY NOT MOTIVE

The fact that both Yoshioka and Kino were slain by men who were unseen by any witnesses, plus the fact that both victims were Japanese aliens, and that both murders were within an hour of midnight, led police to the belief that they

had been carefully planned, possibly by the same man. In neither case was there any indication of either robbery or burglary intent.

Yoshioka's family told officers that "as far as they knew" the victim had no enemies, Dewey said.

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Violence

Stockton Jap Killed In New Race Violence

Another Shot Near Rio Vista; Police Seeking Six Filipinos

One alien Japanese was killed, entered the home of K. Moto and H. Hashimoto and robbed them and their guests of \$97 after brandishing guns and clubs. Ukenoui was shot three times as he entered the room while the holdup was in progress.

In Stockton, Shigemasa Frank Yoshioka, 46, was mysteriously murdered in a vacant room of the lodging house which he operated.

TWO SHOTS HEARD.

Police said his killing was similar to that of J. Kino, elderly garage attendant whose shooting occurred shortly after war began and still remains unsolved.

Neighbors said they heard Yoshioka's door bell ring several times shortly before dawn. After he led his caller to a vacant room two shots rang out and someone was heard running down the hall. The Japanese was shot in the chest and groin. Police Capt. James C. Dewey said that robbery was not a motive.

SHOT DURING HOLDUP.

Six Filipinos were blamed for the shooting of Uki Ukenoui, 55, one of ten alien Japanese who were held up and robbed at an asparagus camp on Ryer Island, near Rio Vista.

Police Chief Floyd Holmes of Rio Vista said that the gunmen

entered the home of K. Moto and H. Hashimoto and robbed them and their guests of \$97 after brandishing guns and clubs. Ukenoui was shot three times as he entered the room while the holdup was in progress.

The shootings came simultaneously with the plea of John Anson Ford, Los Angeles County supervisor, that Japanese be left unmolested as a precaution against reprisals to Americans now in Japan. His plea was made in Sacramento before the Governor's committee on re-employment, of which he is chairman.

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Fed Res. order from JRP

**Deadline Extended
For Form TFR-300**

The deadline for the filing of treasury form TFR-300, Series J, has been extended from February 15 to 28, due to the exhaustion of the proper forms.

Until new forms are printed and available, it will be difficult to secure any of them. Keep in touch with your local Federal Reserve Bank as to additional supplies of these forms.

Property interests of \$1,000 or more owned by Issei must be reported to the Federal Reserve Bank on Form TFR-300, Series J. Form TFBE-1 calls for the filing of an affidavit on business enterprises over \$5,000.

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Language Schools

Lauding the resolution adopted by the National board of the Japanese American Citizens league recommending the closing of the Japanese language schools for the duration of the emergency, Sam H. Cohn, deputy superintendent of public instruction of California, told Mike Masaoka, National secretary and field executive, in a special conference in Sacramento recently that the suggestions of the organization were "both timely and very wise."

He declared that the temper of the public at large was such that many projects such as the re-opening of the language schools might result in violence to the Japanese community if not to the school children themselves.

"The protection of the children and the safeguarding of their welfare in relation to other children justifies the closing of the schools during the war. This is a bigger problem than just keeping a relatively few Japanese teachers out of work. This is a problem of social relations and community spirit and welfare."

He further stated that the Japanese could do nothing better to safeguard themselves and their children than to follow the suggestion of the National board and keep these schools closed during the duration of the war and publicize the fact that they would remain closed during the emergency.

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150 IN NORTH STATE.

Major developments were these:

1—By 5 p. m., 150 Japanese, German and Italian nationals were under arrest in San Francisco and thirty-nine other northern California communities. Many of the enemy aliens were identified as members of Axis organizations with headquarters in Tokio, Berlin and Rome.

2—Other coastal actions included Government seizure of the Fish Harbor area on Terminal Island at Los Angeles and a proclamation making the entire State of Washington a "defense area" with Japanese ordered to surrender all explosives, guns and other contraband to the State Patrol.

3—At the San Francisco hearings of the Congressional committee investigating the alien situation, Representative John Tolan, chairman, warned that Pacific Coast bombings are a "certainty" while witnesses appealed for swift action to prevent a fifth column from striking simultaneously with the predicted air raiders.

4—Washington dispatches said "early action" may be expected by the War Department in designating military areas in which the Army, by Presidential order, will have supreme control tantamount to martial law.

Mass Raids Trap Scores in Coast's Greatest Spy Hunt

150 Seized in North State; Army Rule Held Near CLEAN UP

Hundreds of FBI agents and peace officers, working in swift, perfectly co-ordinated raids that ranged from the Canadian to the Mexican border and inland as far as Phoenix, Ariz., yesterday unleashed the greatest spy hunt of the war on the Pacific coast.

Expected to continue through last night and today, it appeared to be a final drive to clean out nests of all known or suspected saboteurs and fifth columnists before virtual martial law is clamped down on vital military areas in the West.

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Nationals' Court Rights

Japanese nationals may now seek the recourse of the federal and state courts, according to a special release sent National JACL headquarters by Earl G. Harrison, special assistant to the Attorney General of the United States in Washington.

It was recalled by Mike Masaoka, national secretary, that much doubt existed on this point inasmuch as the United States Supreme Court ruled in a case involving a diplomatic official that agents of a government at war with the United States had no right to appear as a complainant in a court of the United States. Subsequently, several courts of lower jurisdiction held that Japanese nationals had no right to the courts for the redress of their wrongs.

The complete text of this vital release follows:

Text of Release

"Attorney General Francis Biddle today issued the following statement clarifying the right of natives, citizens or subjects of enemy countries, who are residing in the United States, to institute and prosecute suits in federal or state courts:

"Any person who is an 'enemy'

for purposes of the Trading with the Enemy act is prohibited by Section 7 (b) of that act from prosecuting suits in any court within the United States prior to the end of the war.

"For purposes of the Trading with the Enemy act, an 'enemy' is defined by Section 2 to mean any nationality, resident within the territory of, or the territory occupied by, any nation with which the United States is at war.

"Under subdivision (c) of that Section, the President is authorized by proclamation, to include within the term 'enemy' any individuals or class of individuals who may be natives, citizens or subjects of any nation with which the United States is at war, even though such individuals or class of individuals may be residing in the United States, if the President shall find that the safety of the United States or the successful prosecution of the war so requires. No such proclamation under Section 2 of the Trading with the Enemy act has been issued.

Presidential Proclamations

"Proclamations have been issued by the President which govern the

conduct to be observed by alien enemies in this country and which delegate to the attorney general the authority to apprehend and detain specified alien enemies whom the attorney general deems dangerous to the public peace and safety of the United States.

"These proclamations were issued under the authority granted by Section 21 of Title 50, United States code and careful note should be taken of the fact that they are not in any way an exercise of the power vested in the President by the above-mentioned Section 2 (c) of the Trading with the Enemy act.

"Accordingly, it is important to note that no native, citizen or subject of any nation with which the United States is at war and who is residing in the United States is precluded by federal statute or regulations from suing in federal or state courts."

As the concluding paragraph in the letter containing the release, Harrison expressed the appreciation of the government for the cooperation offered them by the JACL in disseminating information about the identification procedure.

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Filipino Gun-Toter Draws \$150 Fine

It cost Basilio R. Rea, 45, Filipino, \$150 yesterday to learn that the United States Army, Navy and Marine Corps are considered quite adequate to protect him "from the Japanese."

Rea was fined that amount by Superior Judge D. M. Young when he pleaded guilty to a violation of the Alien Weapons Act—possession of a revolver.

Rea, arrested by police who found him in an East Weber Avenue house they were checking for prostitution, admitted he owned the gun, and that he was "considering" using it on a Japanese or two.

"I need it to protect myself from them," he told the court.

Although the law provides penalties ranging up to five years in prison and \$500 fine for the offense, Judge Young took cognizance of the psychological problems presented by the war situation.

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JAPS AT HARBOR FACE BAN TODAY

Justice Department, Army to Police Evacuated Areas

nated in the coming orders, hence the work of moving and excluding them will be easier.

Biddle said that in addition to the War and Navy Departments, he is cooperating with the Labor, Treasury and Agriculture Departments, the Federal Security Agency, the Works Progress Administration and the Office of Facts and Figures in solving the problem of what to do with the evacuated enemy aliens.

CONTROL TIGHTENED

"These steps represent moves in steadily tightening control of enemy aliens," he said. "We have a large and carefully worked out program for internal security."

He said it was certain the evacuated enemy aliens would be given assistance in establishing themselves elsewhere, far from war zones.

The evacuated areas are to be policed, he said, by representatives of the Justice Department with assistance from the Army, and no enemy national will be allowed to enter after the prescribed dates.

Biddle said careful studies had been made of the enemy alien situation in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Montana, Utah, Arizona and Idaho under the direction of Lieutenant General J. L. DeWitt, commanding officer of the Western Defense Command.

PLAN MAY BE WIDENED

There were hints that the orders to be applied first in California would be extended to other regions where fifth column danger exists.

said, "indications are that eventually alien enemies will be excluded from a very considerable portion of California."

Despite Biddle's wishes for confinement of the anti-enemy alien move to Federal authorities, local officials proceeded yesterday with minor steps to check the presumed fifth column here, where 36,000 Japanese dwell, including more than 13,000 actual aliens.

Seven of the 56 Japanese in county government departments, all of whom were asked officially Wednesday to relinquish their jobs for the duration of the war, applied for leaves of absence.

The city government compelled 39 Japanese employees, under threat of civil service suspension, to take indefinite leaves of absence earlier in the week.

The State Personnel Board placed in effect an order barring employment of Japanese by the state and asked funds for an investigation to examine the citizenship, antecedents and education of Japanese on the state payroll.

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(A CONTINUATION)

Early 1942

Japanese Land Awaits New Operators

Farmers, Workers Are Eligible for Special Loans

Local farmers were urged today to take over farm properties held by Japanese who face evacuation for the emergency.

W. J. Erich, chairman of the County USDA War Board, and David J. Gilhooley of the War-time Civilian Control Administration, joined in urging local farmers to avail themselves of information available at the WCCA office, 201 North San Joaquin

"The Wartime Civilian Control Board has been set up to register the Japanese farm lands and their crops," they said, "and the board is empowered to lend financial aid to qualified farmers for the purchase of equipment of the Japanese farmer and also for the cost of operation of the farm until crop time."

MEXICANS, FILIPINOS

Large farm operators and small farmers and farm workers, including Mexicans and Filipinos in many instances, are eligible to receive the loans, it was announced by Gilhooley.

He said that aliens of non-enemy countries, including Mexicans and others, are eligible to receive loans if they have lived several years in their community, intend to stay, and have applied for first naturalization papers.

Filipinos born outside of the United States but who have an honorable discharge from the armed forces of the United States are also eligible in most instances.

SPECIAL LOANS

Citizens of Mexican and Filipino descent who were born in the United States are eligible for loans if they are otherwise qualified and are competent farm operators.

Special Farm Security Administration loans are made for operating vacated land, after it has been leased or purchased by individual farmers or organizations, if credit cannot be obtained elsewhere. Interested farmers are asked to report to the Stockton Wartime Civilian Control Administration.

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OBSERVATIONS

Injustices To Japanese As Race Would Please Tokyo

This "enemy alien" question is really important, and may become more dangerous, both ways, than some of us realize. The first consideration, of course, is national defense. And against this we must expect "enemy alien" attacks, by espionage, sabotage and fifth-column activities, unless we prevent it. At least, this is what has happened everywhere else, and it would be rash to the point of madness not to take energetic steps to guard against it here. Nobody objects to this, least of all law-abiding residents of enemy-nation origin.

Also, though "enemy aliens" include Germans, Japanese and Italians, the Japanese part is concentrated largely in California and is therefore our most immediate concern. Whatever steps the federal Government may take toward the evacuation of Japanese from certain defense areas will apply mostly to California. Any steps regarding German or Italian aliens will be no different in California than anywhere else, and will present no separate problem to us.

JAPANESE ARE RACE AS WELL AS NATION

What complicates the Japanese part of the problem still more is that the Japanese are a race as well as a nation, and that the race part is hereditary. Therefore there is the impulse, among some of our people, to group native citizens of Japanese ancestry with their parents, and both with Japan, in a way which nobody would do in the case of Germans or Italians.

If this were only unsound reasoning and bad morals, it would be no worse than the many other confusions and injustices of which war is full. But there is also a very practical reason, affecting the war itself, which calls on California particularly not to play into the hands of Japanese propagandists in Asia by treating the Japanese problem here as a racial one. The only safe answer, for us, is to treat Japanese, both citizens and non-citizens, exactly as we treat Germans or Italians of like status.

WAR CUTS ACROSS ALL RACE LINES

Fortunately, the military war has so far cut across all race lines. But not the psychological war. We are fighting against Germans and Italians, of our own race, and with Chinese and Filipinos of other races. Russia, European in blood but largely Oriental in culture, is fighting Europeans in Europe and preparing to fight Asiatics in Asia. And Germany, to preserve its "racial" obsession, has promoted the Japanese to "Aryans." They are "als Arier zu betrachten." All of which is as it should be and as we wish to keep it. This is a war of civilizations, not of races.

But on the psychological front the Japanese are already starting the slogan "Asia for the Asiatics"—

meaning, by "Asiatic" not a geographic but a racial designation. They are appealing to the age-old resentment of the Oriental peoples against the "white" man's assumption of racial superiority. This hurt to their pride has done more harm than even the military invasions and economic exploitations of European imperialists. It is now smouldering fire which Japanese propaganda is seeking to fan into flames. We must be on our guard not to add fuel to it.

INJUSTICE WOULD AID JAPANESE MILITARISTS

Until now, Japan itself has been our chief protection against this effort to transform the war into a racial conflict. The conduct of Japan toward other Oriental peoples has driven most of them to the Occidental side. But men do not all think things through, in Asia any more than in America. And we can, by making discriminations against Japanese in our general measures regarding "enemy aliens," render unwitting service to the Japanese militarists in this exceptionally dangerous psychological front. The more unjustly we treat the Japanese here, just because they are Japanese, the better we will please the militarist propagandists in Japan.

Our government at Washington understands this, and its precautions will be based on this principle. Or if, later, they should not, it will be open to criticism, too. The real danger is among ourselves, here in California. As already pointed out in this column, there are proposals both official and unofficial in California which violate this principle, and there is visible and announced support for these measures. What we need is sober second thought. One place to help us in it is Washington, which has, we may hope, the balanced perspective of distance.

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Race

Editor The Chronicle — Sir:
Please let me say Chester Rowell was eminently correct in his article of February 1 on the attitude that Americans should have toward American-Japanese. Japanese in America cannot control situations imminating in Tokyo any more than Negroes in America can control situations in Africa.

Unfortunately, Mrs. Chispa Gallagher's reply to Mr. Rowell of February 4 darkens council by words without knowledge. Berlin is the mother and father of this war and have maimed and crippled thousands of Americans; still Germans are in California and some of them are even in high Government positions. Some maimed soldiers of World War I are living in the same street with Germans.

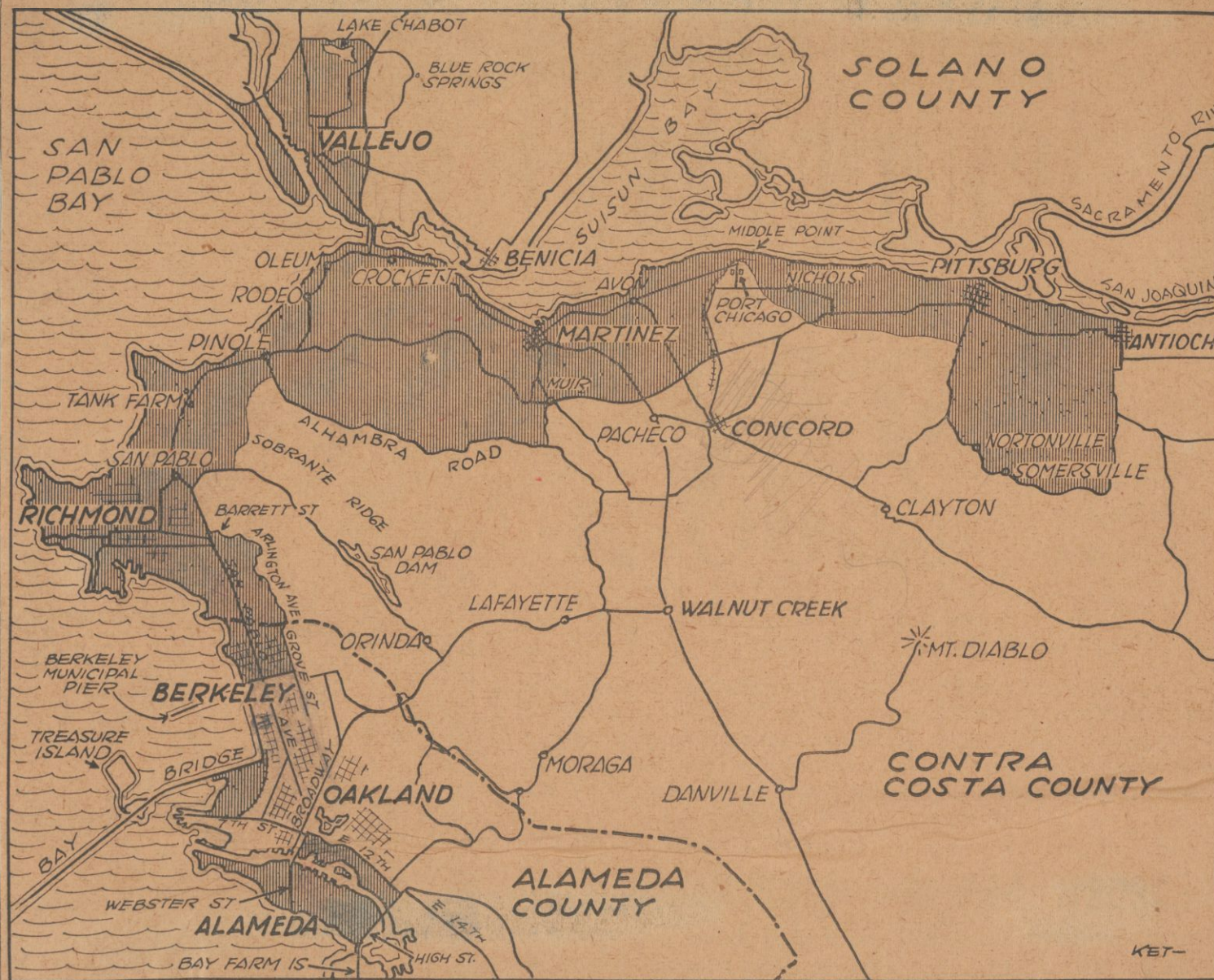
Is it fair to condemn any group of people for what some of them do? Every race has its geniuses and thugs, prostitutes and beggars. George Washington and Benedict Arnold were members of the same race. President Roosevelt and John Dillinger were of the same race. I think that Mrs. Gallagher needs to guess again.

BENJAMIN G. GRIGGSBY.
Oakland.

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LOCAL AREAS (SH'ADED) NOW BARRED TO ENEMY ALIENS



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