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Fires deliberately set damaged three garages owned by Japanese-Americans in Hanford, King county. Fire Chief W. D. Cackler of that town told Associated Press yesterday.

In the last three months shots have been fired into the homes of at least seven Japanese-American families in Fresno, Tulare and Kings counties.

ILWU Will Try Five in Stockton Case

Special to The Chronicle
STOCKTON, June 7—The number of members of CIO Warehousemen's Local 6 to be tried for racial discrimination has been definitely set at five, and as soon as possible after their trial, June 17, the suspended Stockton unit of Local 6 will be restored to regular functioning.

These announcements were made by Joseph Lynch, second vice president of the local, who has been administering the Stockton unit's affairs since its recent suspension. Lynch was reporting decisions stated by Louis Goldblatt of San Francisco, secretary of the International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union, at a meeting of unit members here Wednesday night.

The "five ringleaders" facing trial for allegedly stirring up sentiment against working with returning Japanese were said by Lynch to be: J. M. McNear, O. A. Schmidt, C. V. Sheehy, Alva Bone and Nicholas Smith.

Lynch said he had evidence to show that the five accused men had "brought pressure to bear" upon members of the unit to prevent them from signing pledge cards prepared under the direction of Harry Bridges, international president of the union. The cards pledge signers to refrain from any act of discrimination because of race, color or creed.

Lynch said that while only signers of the pledges had been invited to the meeting at which Goldblatt spoke, 15 non-signers who showed up were permitted to attend. Some 60 members are reported as having still refused to sign.



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RAINIER, Ore.—A resolution favoring the return of Americans of Japanese ancestry to Oregon won the unanimous approval of ILWU delegates to the Columbia River District Council at the May 13 meeting.

As part of the program to end discrimination against any minority group, the resolution was supported in impromptu speeches by Clyde Munger, Local 45; C. E. Kremer and A. Newbold, Local 68.

GIs Protest Prejudice

Vice President Roscoe Craycraft, who recently returned from an Army sponsored tour of Yank troops on Pacific bases, declared that the GIs he had canvassed oppose racial discrimination of any kind.

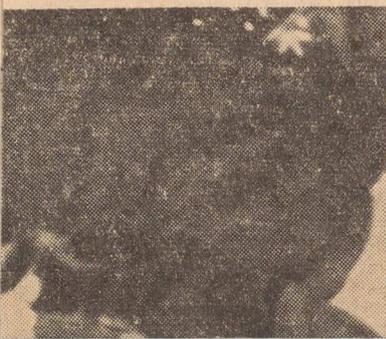
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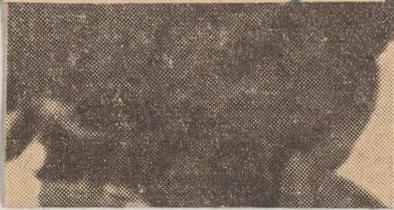
Alien Japanese N. C. Land Owner Suit Delayed 268

A lengthy delay is expected in the superior court hearing in San Diego on the matter of an alien land law suit brought by District Attorney Thomas Whelan against Shigeru Matsumoto and his children in which the state of California asks that property owned by Matsumoto in National City escheat to the state.

Matsumoto is charged with evading the alien and law by purchasing the two-acre flower tract and nursery located at 1424 East Eighth street in the name of an American-born daughter. The property is valued at about \$8,000.

John Y. Maeno, a Japanese lawyer from Denver, representing Matsumoto, has asked and been granted 60 days in which to file a brief. This case, which is being heard in extra sessions by Judge Franklin P. West of Orange county, is the first to come to trial of more than a dozen filed by Whelan against ownership of land by alien Japanese.

California law prohibits Japanese subjects from ownership of agricultural land but permits Japanese born in this country to own land.



New York (N.Y.) Times

Longshoremen show the way to fight it

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—On the Pacific Coast Hitlerite race hatred has flared in acts of violence against Americans of Japanese ancestry. With one important exception, civil and community authorities have failed to take effective action against individuals and groups opposing the Nisei's return to their homes and jobs.

The exception to the do-nothing policy is taking place in Stockton, Calif., where one of the West's largest trade unions is carrying on strong, concerted drives against anti-Japanese prejudice in its own ranks.

The CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union has a long and honorable record in the battle against discrimination. No other union in the nation has been more outspoken in condemning discriminatory practices or more forthright in embodying words in action.

Therefore when some members of the Stockton unit of the 20,000-member Warehousemen Local 6 of the Bay Area refused to work with three returned Japanese-Americans Local and International leaders moved quickly to check the dangerous flame of race hatred before it spread further.

The administration of the Stockton unit was taken over immediately by Local 6. Members were asked to sign pledge cards agreeing to the constitutional guarantee of no discrimination because of race, creed or color. Those refusing to sign pledge cards and the ringleaders of the anti-Nisei incident were warned of expulsion unless they reversed their stand.

At the same time the union moved to rout out the un-American influences at work behind the incident. Certain property interests were named as chief fomenters of Japanese hatred in the Stockton area. The union ran a full page advertisement in the Stockton daily newspaper appealing to the community to assist in eradicating anti-Japanese prejudices.

President Harry Bridges told the Stockton members that the union would not compromise on the issue of discrimination.

"We cannot and will not compromise on it for one moment, for to do so would be to pick up the banner of fascism where Hitler dropped it," Bridges said. "Either you are in favor of discrimination or not in favor of it. If you are in favor of it you have no place in our union. We will not back away from this fight."

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Fire Damages Jap Garages
 HANFORD, June 7.—Attacks upon the homes of returned valley Japanese evacuees, dormant for the last two weeks, flared again last night with what Fire Chief W. D. Cackler and Police Chief Neil MacCollom declared was an attempt to burn three garages owned by Japanese.
 Cackler asserted a highly inflammable oil had been spattered over the floor of one garage where the fire started. This garage has not been in use for several years.
 The garage is in the rear of a home owned by George Omata, while the two other garages are on property owned by Harry Totsukawa. The Omata home is empty and the other dwelling is rented but the garages are not used.
 The fires were extinguished with a loss of but \$250.
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MEN FROM EUROPE PRAISE NISEI UNIT
 Japanese-American Battalion Members Among 1,802 Soldiers Arriving on Transport

To the joyous salute of sirens and whistles, the super-transport Gen. W. P. Richardson docked yesterday morning at Forty-fourth Street and the North River, carrying 1,802 soldiers, fifteen sailors, sixteen British censors, sixteen liberated prisoners and one member of Congress.

As the 20,000-ton vessel, which was launched last August, steamed into Pier 84, the 372d Army Band from Camp Kilmer, N. J., began playing, but its music was drowned out by the thunderous cheers of the soldiers—veterans of Salerno, Anzio, Cassino and the winter warfare in Italy's mountains.

The mixed contingent included men of the Fifteenth Air Force, the Japanese-American 100th Division and the First Armored Division. Soldiers of the Thirty-fourth Division, with whom the Nisei troops of the 100th Infantry Battalion served, highly lauded the fighting qualities of the Japanese Americans. Some said that the Nisei Battalion was one of the finest in the Army.

Pfc. Yoshimasa Kawaguchi, 27-year-old former carpenter in Hawaii and a rifleman of twenty-one months overseas' experience, said that he was "damn proud and happy" to have fought with the American troops. The Germans, he said, "were damn tough eggs—very good fighters."

As S/Sgt. Nubuo Tokunaga, 25, of Hawaii, walked down the gangway, he was loudly cheered by American troops.

Pfc. Dominick Roman, 36 years old, a former truck driver of Keyport, N. J., overseas for twenty-six months as an anti-aircraft gunner and medical man, spoke of his most exciting moment of the war. It was in the battle of Hill 609 in Tunisia, he said, when a shell from his battery struck a German bomb just as it was dropped from a plane and exploded the missile in the air.

Havoc in Germany Described

Representative Lyle Boren of Oklahoma, a Democratic member of the House Aviation Committee, said that he had been overseas six weeks on a special mission. He would not comment until he had conferred with President Truman. He said that he spent two weeks in Germany and three week in England, France, Italy and North Africa, and visited the German prison camp at Buchenwald.

"Germany really felt this war," he said. "I saw all of the Ruhr and most of it was destroyed. In one town I saw there was nothing left standing more than waist-high for ten miles around." He celebrated his thirty-sixth birthday by eating K rations in a jeep in Germany.

The sixteen British censors came from Trinidad and included ten women. With the exception of one, all are bound for England.

There was particularly loud cheering from the 496th Quartermaster Company, a unit of 256 Negroes attached to a laundry outfit. They had served in Africa and Italy for twenty-six months.

By noon all the soldiers were on their way to Camp Shanks, N. Y. Most of them are scheduled for reassignment and the war against Japan.

Several more troop ships are to arrive this morning at Staten Island piers. A hospital ship is due this afternoon.

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Kenny Pledges

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 Prof. Krueger, dir.
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 Anthems, Anthophonal Singing, Choric Speech

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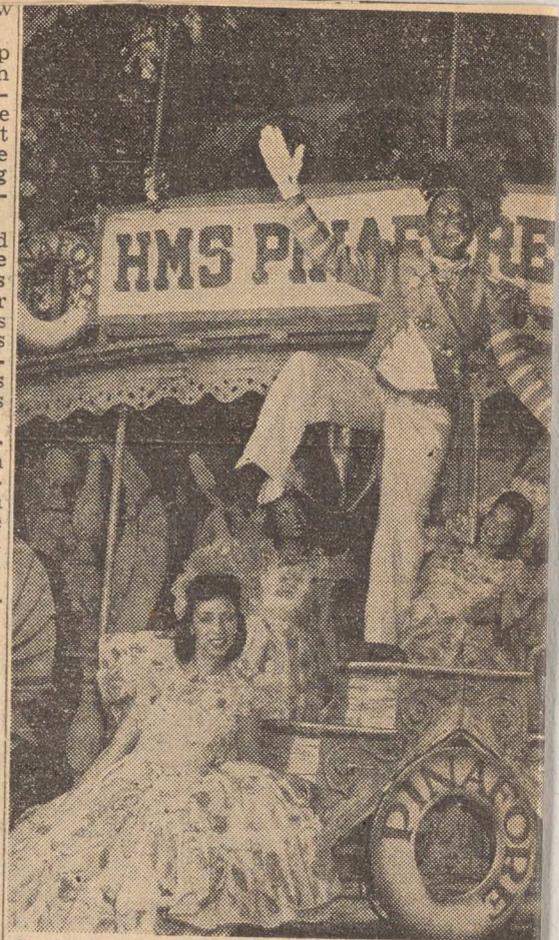
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ATTY. GEN. KENNY HAILS JAP SAFETY MEASURES

FRESNO, June 8.—The united front of California's peace officers was credited by Atty. Gen. Robert W. Kenny with balking widespread violence against the returned Japanese evacuees despite some minor disturbances. Kenny addressed a session of the California Probation and Parole Officers Association, in conference here.

"Some inflammatory statements were being made even by law enforcement officers and newspapers," said the Attorney

General. "There were prospects of serious civil disturbances, and it was a most difficult condition for many police chiefs, district attorneys and sheriffs to face.

"Formulating and declaring a policy of protection to members of an unpopular minority group would mean official death in many cases for a police executive. Adhering to a policy declared by the Governor, the Attorney General and the Law Enforcement Advisory Committee is another thing. No one should be forced into martyrdom if he can so simply be rescued."

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Speaking before delegates attending a meeting of the California Probation and Parole Officers' Association here, Kenny said in some parts of the State reasonably prominent citizens voiced threats against the Japanese.

Kenny said the policy adopted was that the officers consider it their sworn duty to fully co-operate with Army authorities in dealing with the return of the Japanese and that all persons, regardless of race are entitled to the full protection of the law.

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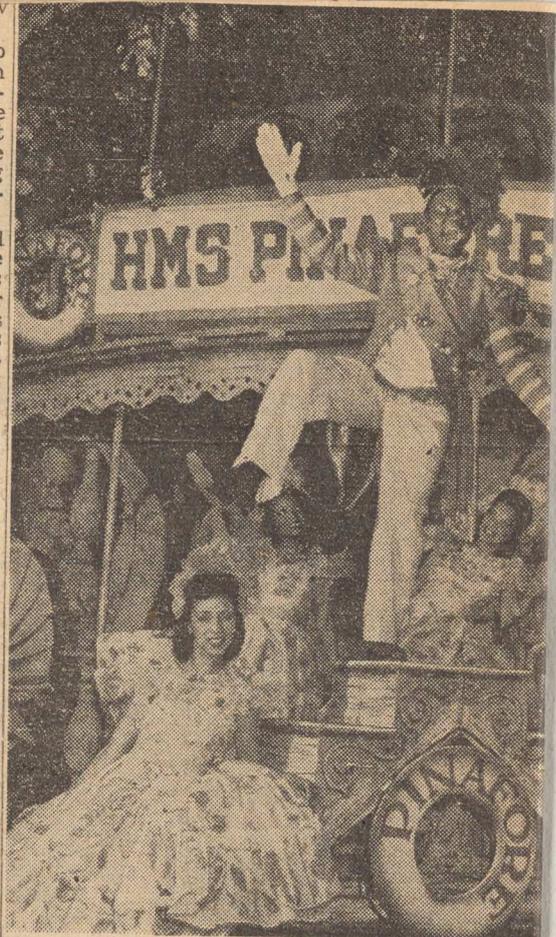
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Fairer Deals to Nisei Grow Despite Pacific War Fury

By R. H. Markham
The Christian Science Monitor

An encouraging current development is the beginning of fairer treatment for Americans of Japanese origin, even as the United States is devoting all its energies to the defeat of the Japanese state.

I recently visited the headquarters of the Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia and was received in one of the offices by a young Japanese, or rather by a native-born American of Japanese descent. She seemed an efficient, businesslike secretary and, as I learned, was well liked by all her colleagues. They consider her one of the most useful and loyal Americans in the institution.

A little later I was in an office in St. Louis, in which I found a secretary of Japanese origin and mother of the Negro race working beside the other employees. Both were contributing their full share toward the success of the enterprise in which they were engaged.

Before going to St. Louis, I visited Detroit and happened to be there over a week end. Sunday morning I wandered down Woodward Avenue, on which many churches are situated, and visited one of them. It was filled with quiet, reverent men and women, well dressed and prosperous appearing as are most Americans at the present time. In receiving an order of service, I noticed with interest that it seemed to be dedicated to a Japanese boy, or at least a boy with a Japanese name.

Gratitude for Church Aid
When time came for the sermon, the preacher began by reading letters from two church members in the armed forces. Both messages had come from Italy.

The writer of the first told of his joy on thinking about the church of his gratitude for letters he had received and of the help that had come to him from Christian faith and fellowship.

Due to that strength, the young soldier said, he had been able to resist the many temptations with which he was surrounded. He was eagerly looking forward to the end of the war and his return to his church home. It was an intimate, moving letter such as many a front-line soldier in loneliness and danger has written. It was sent early in April and bore the name of Private Haruo Kawamoto.

A few days later Private Kawamoto's brother, also a soldier in Italy, wrote the pastor a shorter, simpler, starker note in which he said something like this: "I am bewildered and confused and don't know what to say. Haruo was killed yesterday in a terrible battle. I don't know why he went, for he was the best boy in our company."

Unity of Americans
As the pastor read this letter his voice broke and for a moment he could not speak. A large part of the congregation was in tears. Plainly they deeply loved their

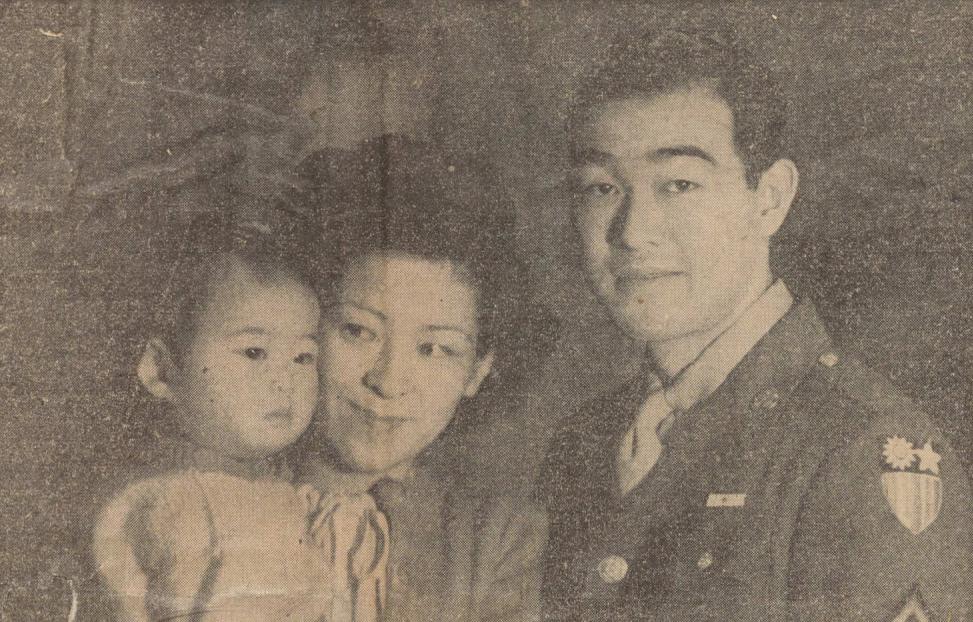
Minorities Question: A Test for Democracy

European and Asiatic peoples have long judged democracy by the way Americans treat their fellow Americans of varying national origin. In the eyes of a world newly ravaged by persecution of minorities, this yardstick assumes even greater importance.

In his recent trip through a number of states, Mr. Markham has found disquieting evidence of strained relations among nationality groups in the United States.

Many Americans have challenged the justice and even the wisdom of that drastic measure. Two thirds of the "Japanese" who were torn from their homes and put in detention camps were American-born American citizens, guilty of no offense of any kind. And not only were they herded into uncomfortable enclosures but most of them lost most of their property. One cannot deny that fellow Americans of Japanese descent were subjected to bitter humiliation and many hardships.

However, such a measure was understandable. Pearl Harbor was a horribly treacherous sneak attack. As a result of it, the United



Americans of Japanese Origin Have Proved Themselves Brave Soldiers in United States Army
T/4 Taniguchi visits his wife and daughter at a Relocation Center before returning recently to the Pacific, where he has fought in the Burma jungles, serving on loan to the British "Chindits." He volunteered for the United States Army in 1942.

fellow Christian and their fellow American, even though some of them probably had relatives in Okinawa. They pictured the distant, desolate, devastated, mud-covered battle field and with reverent devotion envisaged Private Kawamoto offering the supreme sacrifice for America.

I was glad circumstances had brought me to that First Baptist Church and its demonstration of noble American unity. Such fellowship between Japanese-Americans and Americans of other origins is steadily growing throughout America, in spite of some cases of brutal intolerance.

At any rate, it is growing in most areas east of the Mississippi River. Our relations with fellow citizens of Japanese origin bring into dramatic clarity two mighty forces working among Americans, one provoking tensions and the other promoting harmony.

Never, it seems to me, were so many Americans so vigorously engaged in defending minorities. I am not saying they all operate wisely. Frequently they stir up more hatred than they allay, and provoke more enmity than they dissipate. A few of them are so fanatically intolerant against tolerance that they increase intolerance. However, such bellicose pacifiers are the exception and one is pleased to find in every part of the United States large numbers of earnest, active, gracious peacemakers.

Racial Bias Eased

As a result of their activity and of the churches from which most of them come, the problem of cruel discrimination against Japanese-Americans is on the way to a definite solution. This, in its narrower aspects, is one of our easiest problems, because it concerns a very limited number of people, against whom most Americans are not prejudiced. At the beginning of the war there were in the United States about 130,000 Japanese or Americans of Japanese origin. Of the 110,000 on the West Coast, all were removed.

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Many Displaced Nisei Have Found Jobs Again
Formerly of Fresno, Calif., Harvey Aki has been relocated in Cambridge, Mass., where he is now a shop foreman.

States-Pacific fleet was largely incapacitated and the United States was placed in grave danger. An attempt by Japan to land forces on the West Coast was by no means unthinkable. It is not fair or gallant to reproach Americans there, if some of them allowed their imaginations to conjure up cruel Japanese troops landing in their communities and joining up with local Japanese in acts of mass cruelty.

War Measures

A few Japanese in the United States sympathized with America's enemy. And it is not a myth that armies are cruel in war or that the Japanese have been among the cruellest. It is also true that in war a commander responsible for national safety is wise, at crucial moments, to take the risk of going too far, rather than not far enough. The fate of

140,000,000 American citizens tends to outweigh the convenience or rights of 110,000. It also deserves to be pointed out and emphasized that the War Department, on the whole, has taken a lenient attitude toward the internees, has provided them with sufficient food and modest funds, and has heartily cooperated in their relocation. We all are aware that in this war the Government, with full right, has taken the farms and homes of many citizens for war purposes, thus forcing them to move, and has sent Americans by the millions to distant lands. The moving of 110,000 Japanese and Japanese-Americans was a similar coercive war measure which at the time seemed essential.

In view of these facts, I am not inclined to reproach the United States Army for removing Japanese from a very vital area at an extremely critical time. Now, how-

ever, the situation has entirely changed, due to three vital factors. One is that all our shores are heavily defended. Even more important, most Japanese in America and in Hawaii have proved completely loyal. Thirdly, Americans of Japanese origin have been and are exceedingly brave soldiers in the United States Army. Most Japanese-Americans have proven themselves to be very good Americans. They have made a record of which all America should be proud. It is a proof of the power of American democracy.

United States Minorities

It should be remembered that Americans of Japanese origin are very much like other Americans. Every single nationality group in the United States is a minority. Even Anglo-Saxons are a minority. Millions of men in the armed forces and war factories of the United States are of German origin, but they were and are loyal Americans. Germans in Germany were being fought but not Americans of German origin. Italy, too, was an enemy, but not Americans of Italian origin. Italy, too, was an enemy, but not Americans of Italian origin. Italy, too, was an enemy, but not Americans of Italian origin.

Nisei "Fit In"

We may be inspired by the fact that most Americans in the greater part of the United States realize this. Outside of the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain areas, the Nisei, that is American-born Japanese, are integrating themselves into American life without very much opposition. Large numbers have left the detention camps and found jobs. Hundreds are at-

tending school. Many are kept in Quaker and Baptist hostels until they can find permanent places in which to live and work. At least one of whom I know is a reporter on a midwestern paper.

When a Chicago hospital refused to accept a Japanese-American woman as a patient and one of its leading doctors resigned in protest, he received 500 letters of approval, and the hospital revised its policy. As a matter of fact, the people of Chicago have shown themselves especially friendly toward the Nisei and about one tenth of the dispossessed Japanese have been established there, to the satisfaction of all.

It is striking that many front-line United States soldiers have shown themselves very sympathetic toward the Nisei and have publicly expressed indignation at the unfair treatment to which many of them have been subjected. For example, an American sergeant from Burma wrote, in a published letter, "We of the Burma Raiders wish to boast of the Japanese-Americans fighting in our outfit."

Nisei Vet Lauded

Then he went on to praise one of the Nisei, Sergeant Hank Goshu, and added, "It makes us boys and myself raging mad to read about movements against Japanese-Americans by those 4-F's back home. . . . Once when our platoon was assigned to the Chinese some Chinese soldiers said Sergeant Goshu was a Chinese, not a Japanese. The boys then just stepped in and said, 'He's an American.' No truer words were ever spoken."

More than one third of the detained "Japanese" have moved out of their camps and are re-integrating themselves into American communities. Many of them first pass through friendly hostels where they renew their courage, gain confidence, and receive useful guidance.

After years of isolation and repression they find themselves associating with Caucasian Americans on terms of friendship and cordiality, free from humiliation and suspicion.

Gain Self-Respect

Democracy, Christianity, and freedom become real again. Strengthened by a few days or weeks of such experience at a hostel, they go forth to work at whatever they find useful. And most will remain where they settle. Probably not more than one in five will return to the West Coast. They will win a place as neighbors among brothers in their new jobs, and help America hold high its flag of true democracy.

A few will be gardeners, others small merchants, a number professional men and women, a few servants, many clerical workers. They will continue to be diligent, clean, economical, reliable. They will win self-respect, and aid us, their neighbors, to retain our self-respect. In many cases we probably will become as mutually friendly as the farmers in a little Vermont community who promised to look after the farm of a neighbor of Japanese origin when he was drafted. They are keeping his place for him till he returns from fighting for his country, the United States.

Nisei Relocation Not an Easy Task

Leaders in this area who are interested in the relocation of Japanese-Americans agree that they should be treated more objectively. At present, they say, resettlement problems are complicated by extremes of friendliness and antagonism toward the returnees.

These leaders hold that the Government, which spent millions in evacuating the Nisei after Pearl Harbor, should see that they are relocated, taking steps either to extend the time they may stay in the present detention camps until they can find a place for themselves, or to expedite their return by providing protection, housing, and support until they are economically established again.

Big Problems Confront Nisei In Relocation

Greatest assistance found by grapevine route of friendliness—Housing major problem.

Special to The Christian Science Monitor Pacific Northwest

Relocation of Japanese-Americans on the West Coast is a complicated process. By comparison, their evacuation, three years ago, was simple.

It is largely by the grapevine route of friendliness that individuals and families are finding placement. A young stenographer, for instance, returns to her native city and friends help her find lodging in an overcrowded apartment and a position in an office friendly to young Americans of Japanese ancestry. Meanwhile, she keeps searching for the two things essential to the return of her parents, housing and employment, which may take months to find.

It is a slow process and there are still 60,000 persons in Relocation Centers who must be out by the end of the year, according to the War Relocation Administration.

Many Difficulties

There are several difficulties. Those remaining in the Centers are older persons who in general are more difficult to relocate than the thousands of more employable Nisei who have already found places throughout the nation. Some of them have become accustomed to depending upon the Government for support and are reluctant to begin over again on their own. In many cases they are now quite penniless.

Some of them prevailed a few months ago, that evacuees should not return until assured of housing and employment, is being discarded.

But their question is, where to house them, when even workers have difficulty in finding a place to live? To meet the need, one proposal is that temporary hostels be provided where shelter may be found while they are becoming established.

Need to Pioneer

Those who are returning, come with the knowledge that there will be pioneering to do, more rigorous than their first-generation parents went through. They do one of two things: Stick it out, or go to friendlier localities farther East. As they return they meet the two extremes—friendliness and antagonism.

One "Japanese" farmer, for instance, was helped to get his farm in order by a contingent of students from the University of Washington and the next day found a "No Japs Wanted" threat on his property.

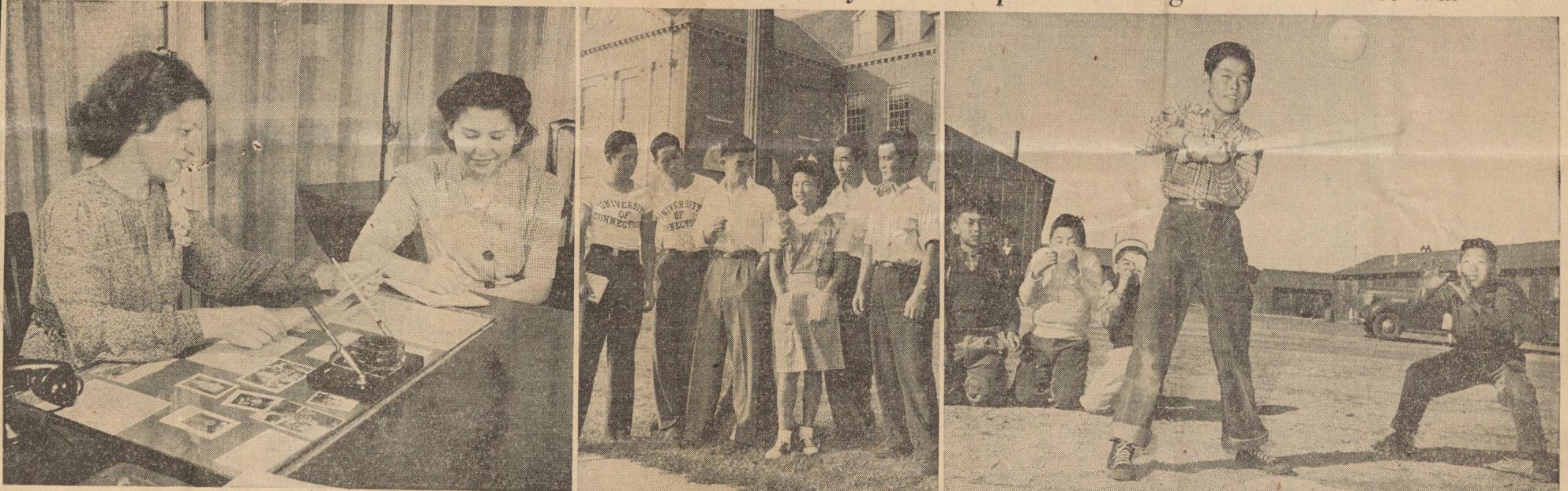
One family who had returned to their home had kept their children huddled inside the house because of fear of rocks being thrown, until one day a delegation from the Friends' Center came and painted out unfriendly signs, cut the grass and mended broken windows.

Work Sought

Another young man returned with high hopes, resolved no matter what came, to meet the challenge. He returned to a locality where his father had been in the trucking business for 20 years. The plan was for him to get established and then send for his parents. Weeks passed but he could not obtain a license for his truck because no insurance company would grant him liability coverage on it. They were reluctant, he found, to grant such insurance where, in case of accident, a Nisei client might be tried by a prejudiced jury. When last seen this young Nisei, however, was still optimistic and had just got a clue to an insurance company that might sell to a Japanese-American.

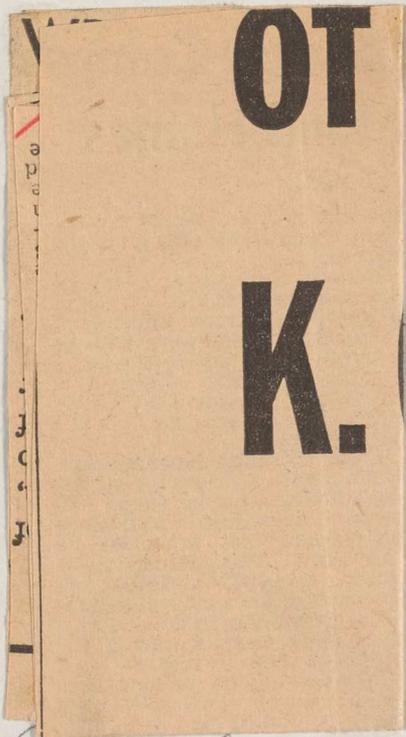
To those working with the returnees the situation is often discouraging. Despite the fact that all those returning are approved by the Federal Bureau of Investigation there are still those who threaten to take the law into their own hands, even to homes where there is a service star in the window.

Fellowship Helps Broaden Horizons in Relations With Loyal U. S.-Japanese During Tense Period of War



Typical Japanese-Americans at Work and Play—They Were Among the 110,000 Removed From the West Coast After Pearl Harbor
Left: Miss Mary Saito takes dictation from Miss Patricia Parmelee, Associate Director of Boston's International Institute. Center: These young people are continuing their interrupted studies at the University of Connecticut. Right: Recess time for sixth graders at Relocation Center

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WRA to Close Japanese Camps January 2; Nisei Find Homes

By PETER EDSON

SAN FRANCISCO.—The War Relocation authority, the wartime guardian of over 100,000 alien and native-born Japanese-Americans, is planning to go out of business not later than January 2, 1946, says W. R. Cozzens, deputy director in charge of Western operations.

There will be 20,000 aliens and undesirables—"detainees" and "excludes" left in the big relocation center of Tule Lake, Cal., on the Oregon line, but by the end of the year they will all be turned over to the department of justice for detention until such time as they can be shipped back to Japan where, for some strange reason, they have expressed a desire to go.

Of the American citizens of Japanese ancestry who are electing to remain in the United States, nearly 45,000 have already been cleared from the eight Western camps or assembly centers. They have been leaving the camps at the rate of over 100 a week, but with the closing of the camp schools this month there will be an augmented evacuation, permitting the WRA to cease operations by the end of the year.

Few Will Live on Coast

If the pattern set thus far holds good, fewer than 50 per cent. of the Japanese Americans will return to the West Coast areas where they lived before the war. Half of those cleared from the WRA centers up to June 1 have sought to make new homes in other parts of the country.

They have settled in every state in the Union, South Carolina being the last one to receive a WRA evacuee. While they have scattered widely, the biggest concentrations are in Denver, St. Louis, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Chicago, Cleveland and New York. Many of those going to the Manhattan area are California farmers who expect to

hoe out new existences on the many truck farms supplying the metropolis.

Before clearing any of its charges, the WRA has tried to do a job of giving information as to what conditions will be found in every part of the country, says Cozzens. Then it is up to the individual to decide where he wants to go to make his new home.

Eight thousand Japanese families owned property—farms, stores, homes, barber shops, machinery or house furnishings which were kept in storage by the WRA. This property was largely held in California and the owners have had a natural desire to come back and claim it after their clearance from the camps, if only to dispose of it before moving on to new locations. But to many who were born in California and have lived here all their lives, the urge to come back and pick up where they left off is strong.

Prejudice Chief Problem

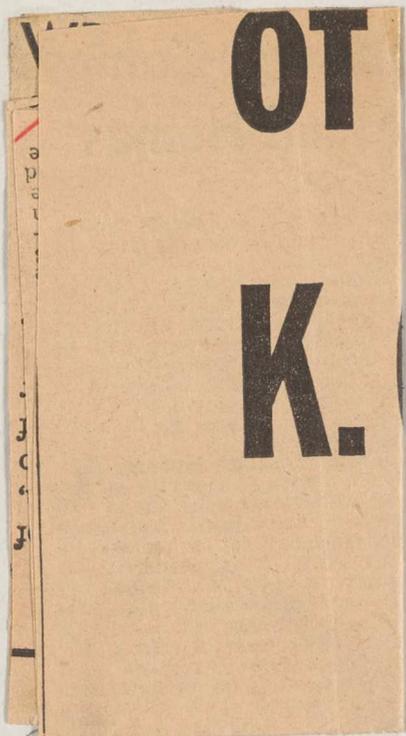
The problems of wartime living have been too much for some. Getting gas rations, food ration books, overcoming the opposition of other Americans who view all people of Jap extraction as enemies even though they are native-born citizens, is more than they can cope with. They try to get back into the camps to be taken care of for the duration, but the WRA is having none of them. It impresses on every departing detainee the fact that once he leaves camp, he's on his own.

WRA officials have taken a terrible beating on the whole program, but it was admittedly one of the toughest jobs of the home front war effort. The 3 to 4-year detention of these Japanese-Americans for their own protection will have cost the United States between \$175 and \$200 million by the time the WRA winds up its operations.

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Veterans Favor 268 Compulsory Drill

SAN LUIS OBISPO, June 9.—Resolutions deploring attacks on Japanese returning to California and regretting the situation creating the disorders were adopted today by the convention of California Department, Military Order of Purple Heart in session here.

The veterans also approved compulsory military training but left methods to the War Department and Congress. Other resolutions call for establishment of a California Room at the national Temple Hill shrine at Newburgh, N.Y.; urge a national cemetery in Central California to avoid long travel by relatives to Los Angeles and San Francisco; propose that the Rehabilitation Bureau issue certificates of ability to veterans taking civil service examinations where diplomas are not issued, and to exempt all veterans' compensation from estimated taxable income.

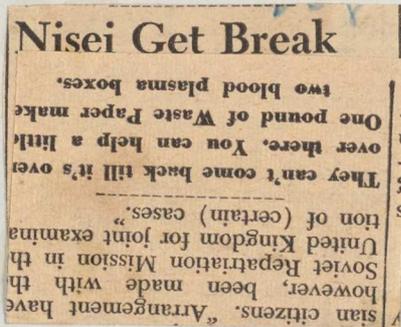
Following a colorful War Bond parade this morning, Col. Max Sullivan presented Purple Heart Medals to John B. Rosa of Nipomo for wounds received in France in World War I; Staff-Sgt. Charles D. Parsons, North Hollywood, wounded at Leyte; Cpl. Alvin Jones, Gaston, Or., wounded in Sicily; Pfc. George G. Mathiesen, Glendale, machine-gunned on Luzon, and Pvt. Edward A. Spaulding, wounded in France.

Long Beach was selected as the 1946 convention city. Election of officers tomorrow will conclude the sessions, attended by 50 delegates.

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New York (N.Y.) PM



San Diego, Daily Journal

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Nisei Get Break In Federal Court

Federal Judge Pierson M. Hall at Los Angeles has ruled that the Army has no power to enforce military orders on the civilian population in the absence of martial law. In the case of three Americans of Japanese descent, the judge enjoined Maj. Gen. H. C. Pratt, Western Defense Commander, from using military force to prevent them going anywhere they wish in the U. S. A.

The American Civil Liberties Union, which represented the Nisei, reported that Judge Hall ruled that, in the absence of martial law, "military orders can legally be enforced only by civil authorities." ACLU hailed the decision as "noteworthy and courageous."

R. E. HAZAR

San Diego, Daily Journal

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One pound of Waste Paper make
two blood plasma boxes.

New York (N.Y.) PM

**Purple Heart Lauds
Loyal California Japs**

Delegates at the convention of the Military Order of the Purple Heart today had expressed their approval of the return of loyal Japanese-Americans to California.

Meeting at San Luis Obispo yesterday the delegates elected Clarence Curran, San Diego, as senior vice commander of the California department, and Mrs. Ina Curran, auxiliary president.

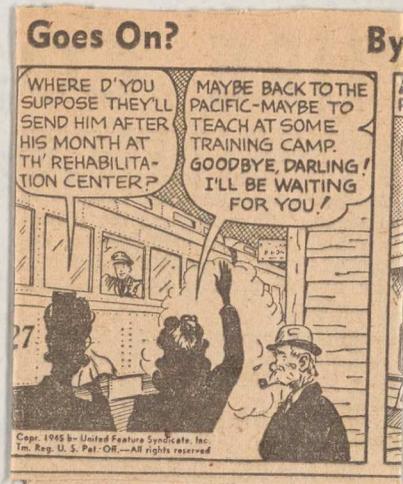
The delegates also adopted a resolution asking legislative action to make teaching of U. S. history compulsory in all California public schools. Ray Dorris, Portland, was endorsed as national commander for 1946, and Long Beach was selected for the 1946 state convention.

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Japs Hunted in Oregon Timberland

KLAMATH FALLS (Or.) June 11, (AP)—Marines and State policemen searched through timberlands adjacent to the marine barracks here today for two men a Pacific combat veteran identified as Japanese.

The veteran, Pfc. Wayne Curtis, stationed here, said he came upon the men near the barracks while hiking.

Curtis said he could not be mistaken in his identification. "I saw plenty of Japanese on Guadalcanal," he added.

He said the pair stepped into the road about 50 yards ahead of him. They did not see him immediately. He called out: "Hey! You there!"

The pair ran through dense brush and headed up the mountainside.

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LEGISLATURE CONSIDERS \$100,000 STUDY OF CALIFORNIA ROADS

BY LLOYD LAPHAM
United Press Staff Correspondent
SACRAMENTO, June 12.—The State Assembly was asked today to agree with the Senate on financing a \$100,000 study of the California roads system, from major highways passing through cities to local "farm to market" roads.

The proposal was contained in a resolution approved by the Assembly rules committee after adoption by the Senate. The study would be carried out by a committee of 12 senators and assemblymen.

Passage of a 12-million-dollar ap-

propriation for local road construction appeared to be assured. The ways and means committee of the Assembly recommended passage of a Senate bill containing the appropriation, while an identical bill approved by the Assembly was indorsed for Senate passage by its finance committee.

The appropriation of 12 million dollars in state money would make the state eligible for a 15-million-dollar Federal allocation, giving 27 million dollars in all for postwar work on the so-called "feeder roads." The highway study resolution was

introduced by Senator Randolph Collier and had the backing of groups which supported an unsuccessful attempt to commit the state to building a 3000-mile system of limited access highways and freeways.

An amendment to the resolution specifically directs the committee to consider local road needs as well as major highway development.

Two bills for the reorganization of state departments were tentatively approved in the Assembly.

One would give full administrative control over activities of the State Social Welfare Department to the director, Charles M. Wollenberg, instead of the State Social Welfare Board.

The bill, previously passed by the Senate, was sponsored by Assemblyman Thomas Maloney (R., San Francisco) who said it would eliminate confusion in the department. It was opposed by several Democratic assemblymen, including Ralph C. Dills (D., Compton), who claimed Mr. Wollenberg had "lobbied against bills to aid social progress."

The other bill would give the director of the Motor Vehicle Department, Gordon Garland, control over the state highway patrol.

The patrol now is under the separate direction of E. Raymond Cato, highway patrol chief, but nominally in the Motor Vehicle Department.

Assemblyman Frank J. Waters (R., Los Angeles) said the division of power created an "intolerable situation" in the department and declared the agency should have "one boss." An amendment to make the

patrol an entirely separate agency was defeated.

The Senate defeated a bill to extend the maximum time during which employment insurance benefits are paid from 23 to 26 weeks. The bill was sponsored by Governor Warren, and President Truman recently asked the states to adopt similar legislation.

Senator Thomas Kuchel (R., Orange) declared it "would be silly" for California to finance the time extension with its own funds when

Federal money probably would be forthcoming.

A resolution was introduced in the Senate to continue existence of a legislative committee on Japanese problems. The committee, according to the resolution, would study all facts relating to return of persons of Japanese citizenship or ancestry to California after the war.

The resolution was introduced by Senator Hugh Donnelly (D., Turlock), who headed the committee

working on Japanese problems prior to the present session.

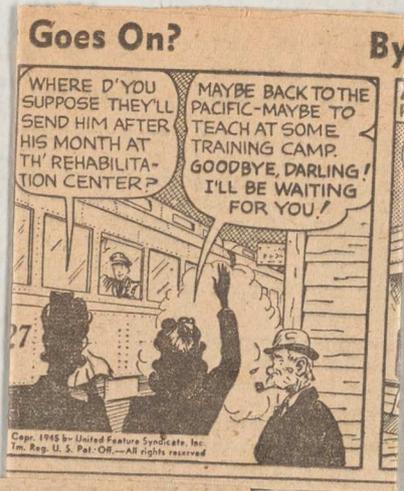
Legislative approval of six other legislative interim committees apparently was assured by favorable Assembly rules committee action on a group of Senate-approved resolutions. Subjects to be studied by the committees are state regulation of insurance rates, water problems, fish and game affairs, state care of the mentally deficient, farm labor, and problems of holding a centennial state celebration in 1950.

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Nisei Sentenced in Draft Case

PHOENIX, June 11. (U.P.)—U.S. Judge David W. Ling today sentenced 98 Japanese - American draft resisters to one year in prison. An appeal will be taken immediately to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the case may go from there to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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military prisoners at the relocation center. Most of them have renounced American citizenship and asked to be sent to Japan after the war.

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lives for the marketing of fresh fruit and vegetables. The eligibility changes were made, OPA said, because of the "importance of this skilled work" in getting farm produce into wholesale food channels. Adequate gasoline rations will be authorized for travel necessary to inspecting, grading, harvesting and shipping of the produce. Mileage will be limited only by the essential requirements of the applicants.

Santa Rosa, Republican

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Tenney Fights

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Voice on Return of Japs Asked

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IVANHOE, June 12.—A resolution to give individual communities a right to decide on accepting in their midst persons who are descendants of families in countries with which the United States is at war was signed by approximately 300 of some 500 Tulare County residents who gathered in a mass meeting here last night to consider the problem of returning persons of Japanese ancestry back to the coastal areas.

One unnamed soldier brought cheers when after stating he had served 34 months in the Pacific warned that when the men return to learn that while the Japanese war was at its height Japanese were permitted to go free and return to the Pacific Coast there would be trouble. He expressed his belief there would not be room here for both races.

Committee Named

A committee of 17 citizens was named, with A. A. Boswell, chairman and Charles Crockett, secretary, to study further steps to stop the return of American Japanese to the Coast for the duration of the war. J. A. Chase, Visalia attorney, presided at the mass meeting and was named attorney for the committee.

Walter Haight, Tulare County District Attorney, urged a sane approach to the problem. He did not indicate he supported the resolution asking Congress to permit communities to decide by vote or otherwise on whether Japanese Americans might be excluded for the duration or as long afterward as desirable.

Leon Anderson, Denver, and Donald Hunter, Visalia, W.R.A. officials, contended that the Supreme Court had ruled there was no longer an emergency on the Coast relative to the return of interned Japanese Americans. They believed it could be peaceably accomplished.

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BAN ON NISEI IS OPPOSED BY LOCAL UNION

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San Jose unit of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union has gone on record as supporting the position taken by ILWU District Local 6 in San Francisco in suspending the Stockton unit for refusing to work with persons of Japanese ancestry.

This was reported today by James Pinkham, San Jose business agent, following a meeting of 700 warehousemen and longshoremen in Civic Auditorium.

Pinkham said the San Jose unit in supporting the action of Richard Lynden, president of Local 6 who suspended the Stockton unit, upheld the ILWU constitution which prohibits racial discrimination.

Pinkham said two Nisei returning to their homes in the San Jose area are now working with warehousemen and after a probationary period will be allowed membership in the unit if they wish.

At the meeting James Edmiston, WRA relocation officer here, showed a movie "A Challenge to Democracy," depicting the process of evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the coast. A Nisei veteran who was wounded while on duty with the American Army in the European theater also spoke.

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Reward Plan In Nisei Terror

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Atty. Gen. Kenny today suggested that offering of rewards by citizen groups may help to break down the wave of attacks on returning Japanese Americans, which include nine shootings into Nisei homes in an area of 50 miles around the town of Parlier. At the same time he pledged that "everything possible" will be done to prevent similar attacks.

Unsatisfied, however, was Ernest Besig, American Civil Liberties Union, attorney here, who with representatives of four other organizations working for good relations between racial groups, met with Mr. Kenny yesterday.

Mr. Besig, who called the reward suggestion a "palliative," said, however, he would suggest to the New York office of his organization that rewards be paid for information leading to arrest and conviction on felony charges.

Other members of the delegations, who refused to comment, were L. I. Hewes, American Council on Race Relations; Joseph James, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Galen Fisher, Committee on Fair Play, and Miss I. Ishida, Japanese-American Citizens League.

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BAN ON NISEI

Bonomi, whose resignation had long been expected, submitted the resignation of his entire cabinet to Prince Umberto.

Funeral Friday, June 15 at 10:30 a. m. Friends are invited to attend the months, 11 days.

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DEATH NOTICES

RICHMOND, Cal., June 13. — SHIPYARD FIRE

(UP)—Fire which started from a short circuit last night burned out the heart of the electrical system at Richmond Shipyard No. Two, forcing a delay of unknown duration in vital ship repair work. Damage was estimated at \$20,000 by fire department officials.

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The report criticized the "faithlessness of the WRA" for withholding the information that Fukuso Yamamoto, a longshoreman who returned to work at Stockton, was an alien.

A work stoppage occurred at Stockton recently when members of the International Longshoremen's and warehousemen's Union refused to work with Japanese.

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Months of experimentation have perfected a packing case which will safely carry shell eggs thousands of miles overseas, even under roughest wartime handling.

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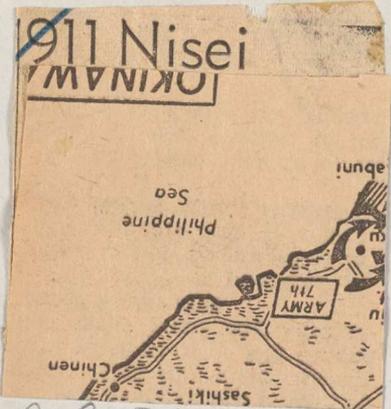
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Legislative Committee Charges False Data Given on Loyalty

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EXAMINER BUREAU, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes and the War Relocation Authority (WRA), were accused today by the joint State legislature's fact-finding committee on un-American activities of using "deceptive and diversionary tactics in spreading "false and misleading" information to the people concerning the loyalty of Japanese who are being returned to the West coast.

CHARGES LISTED.

In a lengthy documented final report to the legislature, the committee charged:

"The propoganda mill of the WRA indulges in the use of the term 'loyal Japanese-Americans' for the obvious purpose of raising by trick and device the question of the Constitutional rights of citizens.

"The issue involved turns not on this point but on the loyalty of the Japanese aliens and Japanese-Americans to the Government of the United States and renunciation of allegiance to the Emperor of Japen."

SAFETY HAZARD.

After citing extensively from a special report made by Lt. Gen. J. L. DeWitt, formerly commander of the Western Defense Command, on the Japanese evacuation from the West coast in 1942, the committee reaffirmed that:

"It is dangerous to the public safety, and to the safety of the Japanese aliens, and those of American birth, to return them to this vital defense area during the war with Japan."

"The committee is not unmindful of the bravery and valor of the Japanese-Americans in the Army, but citing their sacrifices to bolster up public opinio nin reference to disloyal Japanese - Americans only complicates the problem that these brave soldiers—the pick of the lot—must face in coming out into civilian life. There would be no 'Japanese' problem if all of the Nisei and Kigei, or a substantial majority of them, would have taken a leaf out of the book of these great soldiers who had the courage to throw aside the tradition of emperor worship."

The report quoted from many newspapers to indicate general sentiment against return of Japanese to this section during the war, and to a lesser degree, feeling against their return here at any time.

EXON LETTER PETER EDSON NEA Service Staff Correspondent

THREATENED 'LOCAL OPTION ON CITIZENSHIP IS NEW CALIFORNIA PROBLEM

SAN FRANCISCO, June 13, 1945—With some 40,000 to 45,000 native born American of Japanese extraction still to be released from War Relocation Authority centers in the west, the problem of refitting these U. S. citizens into civilian life is being looked on with growing concern. They have perfectly good legal and Constitutional rights, yet because the United States is still at war with Japan there are some elements of the population who seem to believe that anyone of Japanese ancestry must be kicked around.

In the first five months of 1945 there have been 70 "incidents" of threats or terrorism against Japanese-Americans who have attempted to return to their pre-war homes after being released from War Relocation Authority centers. Sixty-five of the incidents have been in California.

Nineteen of these cases have involved shootings. Ninety per cent of the shootings have been in four central California counties—Merced, Fresno, Madeira and Tulare.

None of the shootings have been fatal but there have been several near misses, an attempted dynamiting, several cases of setting fire to houses in which the Japanese-Americans were living, labor disturbances in which men refused to work alongside descendants of Japanese, and a number of visits by local citizens who have threatened bodily harm to the Japanese-Americans if they remained in the areas where they formerly lived or now wished to take up residence.

The significant thing about all these incidents is that there have been no convictions of the offenders. In the few cases that have been brought to trial the accused have been set free or given suspended sentences.

To W. R. Cozzens, deputy director of the War Relocation Authority in charge of its eastern operations throughout the war, these incidents are looked upon as the possible beginning of what he calls, "local option on citizenship."

Cozzens himself is a native Californian and probably the most experienced of all WRA officials in dealing with the problems of American citizens of Japanese extraction. So there is no long-distance, socialworkers' mollycoddling in his point of view.

In themselves the 70 incidents may not be considered terribly important, says Cozzens, but if this kind of terrorism is allowed to go unchecked, it can easily lead to excesses.

Hitler got his start, Cozzens points out, by sanctioning abuses against one group of native-born German citizens. Then they were deprived of their citizenship and denied its rights. Then there was terrorism against them and confiscation of their property. These abuses grew until they became the atrocities committed against the Poles, the Dutch and all the German-enslaved people of Central Europe.

The time to check such violation of the rights of citizenship is obviously before the practice gets out of hand. None of the victims of the 70 incidents has been a Japanese citizen that could have in any way be classified as an alien enemy. Some have actually been discharged U. S. servicemen. All have been American-born citizens who happen to have had Japanese ancestors.

Analysis of the motivation behind the 70 incidents reveals several curious factors. Only a few of the acts of terrorism have been committed by outright hoodlums, though such incidents have been perhaps the worst. In a majority of the cases there has been a motive of selfish economic gain, the perpetrators being other American citizens who have been profiting by war-time operation of land or property belonging to the Japanese-Americans while the owners were detained in War Relocation centers. As soon as the rightful owners return to reclaim and resume possession of their property or their jobs the trouble begins to brew.

Another curious fact is that there appears to be little real resentment against the people coming from the Relocation centers by the families of service men or by the service men themselves. American soldiers and marines who have been taught and have natural reasons to hate and kill all Japanese might be expected to be hostile towards Japanese-American civilians, but aren't. The reason is simply that over 10,000 of these American born citizens of Japanese extraction have made combat records in Italy and France and in the Army intelligence services in the Pacific of which any American soldier or sailor who knows the facts can well be proud.

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911 Nisei Back in L. A.

More than 911 Japanese-Americans have resettled in Los Angeles county since the army granted freedom to many thousands in relocation centers last January, Paul G. Robertson, Southern California War Relocation Authority supervisor, revealed today in El Centro.

The total for Southern California's nine counties is 1022, he said, adding that these numbers were recorded up to May 31, and that many more may have returned to this area.

"All of those permitted to move to mid-western cities in 1942 also are free to return here if they wish," Robertson added. He announced that Dillon S. Myer, national director of the W. R. A., will visit Los Angeles June 18.

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The Day in the Legislature SENATE VOTES TO CONTINUE 'LITTLE DIES COMMITTEE'; TENNEY CHARGES RED PLOT

Special to The Chronicle
SACRAMENTO, June 13 — The Senate today approved continuation of the Tenney Committee on un-American Activities, popularly referred to as the "Little Dies Committee," by a vote of 31 to 4.

The Senate gave its approval after Senator Jack Tenney, who heads the committee, had told it that he believes the Communist Political Association will dissolve and go underground within the next two years with the purpose of attempting to overthrow the United States government.

However, it was expected that the committee would meet with stronger opposition in the Assembly where Assemblyman Albert Dekker declared he thought that the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Federal and State authorities should deal with subversive activities. He characterized the group's activities as "playing cops and robbers."

NISEI RETURN ASSAILED

Prior to the Senate's vote the Tenney committee filed its final report, criticizing Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes and the WRA for advocating the return of Japanese to the Pacific Coast.

"It is dangerous to the public safety, and to the safety of the Japanese aliens, and those of American birth, to return them to this vital defense area during the war with Japan," the report stated.

The committee charged Ickes and the WRA with "the use of decep-

Controversial Part of Adoption Bill Is Dropped

SACRAMENTO, June 13 (AP)—The State Senate Judiciary Committee tonight at the request of the author amended out of the Johnson baby adoption bill the provisions that a married mother of an illegitimate infant could give it adoption without consent or notification to the husband.

Assemblyman Gardiner Johnson, who introduced the bill at the request of the State Department of Social Welfare, said there were two reasons for dropping the provision which had aroused a storm of protest from service men's organizations. First, he said, was the practical difficulty of drawing an amendment which would meet the wishes of the department and at the same time heed the objections which had been raised. Secondly, there was doubt in his mind as to the wisdom of retaining the section.

TENNEY LOSES IN ASSEMBLY

The Tenney group earlier had received a jolt when a separate but similar resolution approved in the Senate failed to pass the Assembly. The resolution providing for \$20,000 for interim work received only a 40 to 30 vote. Sixty votes were needed for approval.

A last minute attempt to revive the Hawkins act imposing severe penalties on employers or unions for racial discrimination was defeated in the Assembly.

(Edgar G. Brown, Director of the

National Negro Council, issued a statement in San Francisco last night asserting that the fight in California for a State law forbidding racial job discrimination 'will go on')

Also beaten was a measure for appointment of a committee on political and economic trends.

A bill sponsored by the Assembly calling for repeal of the 3 per cent gross receipts tax on trucks and buses received only three opposing votes in the Senate, but Governor Warren already has warned he intends to veto it.

BRIDGE LOAN APPROVED

Recommendation of the Senate Finance Committee was given a bill by Assemblyman Edward O'Day of San Francisco which would permit the Golden Gate Bridge district to borrow \$5,000,000 from a special fund to construct an approach to the bridge through Sausalito. Senator Randolph Collier of Yreka, a member of the committee, declared Governor Warren had told him that he would approve it as finally amended. The State Highway Commission, which previously had been opposed to the Sausalito approach, has now withdrawn its objections, a commission spokesman said.

Governor Warren signed a measure of Senator Thomas McCormack of Solano county transferring State tidelands on Carquinez straits to the State Department of Education for use of the California Maritime Academy.

The Assembly Ways and Means committee gave its approval to a proposed \$50,000,000 bond issue to finance farm and home loans to California war veterans. Originally calling for an issue of \$30,000,000 the bill was upped by an amendment. The committee also recommended for passage a Senate bill appropriating \$1,200,000 for construction of a temporary institution for housing intermediate offenders.

A measure calling for the creation of an office of State Auditor failed to receive the recommendation of the Assembly governmental efficiency and economy committee but approval was given a bill to abolish the State War Council and to substitute a disaster agency to operate in both war and peace.

Action on a resolution calling for an investigation of lobbying was delayed by the Assembly rules committee until tomorrow when its sponsor, Assemblyman Stewart of Pasadena, is expected to take up a pending motion to withdraw it for floor debate.

The Call bill increasing State contributions to salaries of Superior Judges from \$4000 to \$5000 a year and giving Judges in 43 counties pay increases ranging from \$1000 to \$2000 yearly, was signed by Governor Warren.

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FOOD . . .
Housewives who day-dreamed that the end of the European war would lift rationing bans perceptibly, are still gasping at the five-pound deduction per person in home canning sugar, and OPA warning of a 25 per cent cut due in canned goods. The scheduled 5 per cent increase in civilian beef allotments, says WFA, applies to "utility grade, Kosher and Army style" meat released by government purchasers.
NEW VET PRIVILEGE . . .
Thousands of servicemen who haven't whipped a mountain stream for the silvery trout since they got their first official Greeting from Uncle Sam, will say "thanks" to the Legislature and Governor in the years ahead for their free fishing licenses, voted at Sacramento this session.

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Bare Facts From Bear Creek
"The Column that's Different"
(By Lans Leneve)
Recently there appeared in the magazine section of a Portland daily a feature story concerning an American-born Japanese. The story was spread across an entire page and embellished with pictures.
What we should like to know is why a Jap that died upon the battle field should be lauded to high heaven when there are hundreds of thousands of white American boys giving their lives each day? But their names appear in fine print, listed among the dead. An outstanding act of valor performed by a white lad appears in a brief paragraph and usually stuck away in an obscure corner in the inside section of the newspaper. But a yellow-skinned, slant-eyed Jap is featured in the magazine section, editorials are written concerning him, even though he may possess dual citizenship.
Clynard Holverstott and young Joe Crump, two boys of the Fairview district, born of white parents, have both died in action, victims of the yellow fiends. But no editorials were written concerning those two lads, no feature story appeared in the magazine section of a big newspaper concerning their giving their lives for their country, and they are only two out of thousands who have never been mentioned aside from being listed as killed in action in official reports.
We can see nothing remarkable concerning an American-born Jap being killed in action. If he possessed the loyalty that some persons wish us to believe they possess, the whole outfit of them should be out there dying for America—seeking in that manner to atone for the horrors inflicted upon our true sons of the soil; to atone for the slaying of such boys as Clynard Holverstott and Joe Crump; to seek in a measure to atone for the sneak attack upon Pearl Harbor, the march of death and such deeds perpetuated by the rotten race that is directly responsible for the whole gory mess. It is that race that is alone responsible for all the suffering, the heartache and the horrors of this war. And we can see no reason why the descendants of this damnable race of the sons of heaven who are born in America of Japanese parents should be taken to our bosom, coddled, made over and upon losing their lives upon the battlefield should be featured above the lives of our own white boys. They are still Japs to us and always will be—a race that has no place in America, regardless of the pro-Japanese societies and the individuals who would like to shove them down the throats of the white race. They are yellow in color and yellow in nature and the teachings of centuries cannot be purged from their blood overnight, no more than a leopard can change his spots. Once a Jap—always a Jap.
Our old friend Jim Syphers, of Langlois, spent several days in the Leep Hospital at Bandon recently. Jim had an argument with a big white-faced bull and came out second best. His back was almost broken when the enraged animal tossed him off a bridge. Bulls are like Japs, they can't be trusted.
Wild band tailed pigeons are more numerous this season than in many past years. Here on "The Crick" they have destroyed the cherry crop in many places. They eat the young cherries when they are no larger than peas. They are also infesting the grain fields and raising havoc with newly planted grain. The season is closed on them at the present time, when they are inflicting damage upon crops and orchards, but late in the fall when they are feeding on elder and cascara berries and carry the bitter flavor of such berries, they are allowed to be shot. Ain't game laws funny!

People are not the only ones who have a housing problem to contend with. It appears that the swallows which appear and build their mud houses 'neath the eaves at the Bear Creek Store each spring have brought along not only last years off springs, but all their relatives and friends this year. There is one "apartment" clustered together with five different nests. In addition to this there are six separate houses and one duplex—quite a colony in all.
A new arrival on "The Crick" is George Hurst and family of Curry county. They are living on the John Devereux ranch near the highway.
Katherine "Sunshine" Devereux is home again. She recently graduated from a Portland school. Her parents attended the graduation exercises. "Don't Be Saps—Deport The Japs."

'ROUND the STATE
SPARKS FROM THE NEWS CIRCUIT

By LEON BAXTER

PREMIUM ON SIN . . .
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(The legislation would permit a married woman who became the mother of an illegitimate child to allow its adoption by others without notification of her husband). It would help a handful of indiscreet service wives, says dissenting Assemblyman Don Allen of Los Angeles, "but only by betraying soldiers risking their lives for their country!"
Comments Stars and Stripes: "Well, we'll be damned!"

BOTTLENECK . . .
At a minute past noon on August 1, toll takers on the Carquinez and Antioch bridges will pack up their tithing paraphernalia and silently steal away, breaking two bottlenecks that have irked motorists for years. Heavy wartime traffic has helped retire the bonds and end toll-taking three years ahead of schedule.

'TEEN AGE RELIGION . . .
"The old fashioned gospel" is packing youngsters by the hundreds into church meetings at "Saturday Night Jubilees" in San Francisco.

The 'teen-agers devote themselves to religious music, Bible lectures and church services, and under sponsorship of a score of Protestant ministers, are encouraged to look for the answer to the riddles of modern life in "devotion to Christ, clean living and world ministry."
Awe-struck oldsters learn that popularity of the "youth for Christ" meetings, according to churchmen who have seen the movement spreading over the nation, is attributed to the preaching and the Bible study as much as to the group singing or the fancy trumpet and Zylophone serenades.

PARLIER PARLEY . . .
If the debate challenge of Fresno County's justice of the peace at Parlier is accepted by Interior Secretary Ickes, danger of future "incidents" over return of the Japanese to this area might be dispelled. With his recent decision on a local clash, involving a returning Japanese interne, under scathing attack by Ickes, Judge L. B. Crosby threw down the gauntlet and invited Ickes to a verbal duel on the subject. Similarly grave questions

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LOS ANGELES, June 13.—

(AP) — Movie Actress Shirle

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SAN FRANCISCO, June 13.—(UP)—As one means of halting attacks against Nisei homes in the Parlier, Calif., area, California Atty. Gen. Robert W. Kenny today suggested the offering of rewards by citizen groups.

Kenny has pledged "everything possible" in an effort to halt the attacks against returning Japanese Americans in that area and his suggestion came after he had made the statement that his special investigators had obtained information "too cold for use."

Racial Discrimination Bill Shelved by Assembly Action

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EXAMINER BUREAU, SAC. RAYMONTO, June 13.—The assembly apparently rang down the curtain today on assembly bill 3 by Assemblyman Augustus F. Hawkins, and others, setting up a fair employment practices commission charged with eliminating racial and religious discrimination.

Sam L. Collins, Republican floor leader, providing for an interim investigation of the subject. The Collins bill was sponsored by the administration.

After refusing the sixty votes necessary to take up the bill, the assembly likewise refused to take up A. B. 1399, by Assemblyman

'All-Star Cast' Of Santa Clarans Spurs Bond Drive

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Warehousesmen Here Brand Stockton's Boycott of American-Japanese Unfair

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Action of the International
Longshoremen's and Warehouse-
men's District Local No. 6 of San
Francisco in suspending the Stock-
ton local for its refusal to work
with those of Japanese ancestry
was supported by the organization's

San Jose union at a meeting of 700
warehousemen and longshoremen
yesterday at the Civic Auditorium.
This stand upholds the ILWU
constitution which forbids racial
discrimination, according to James
Pinkham, San Jose ILWU business
agent.

Attending yesterday's session to
explain reasons for the Stockton
unit's suspension was Richard Lyn-
den, Local 6's president.

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warehousemen and will be ad-
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end of their probationary period if
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Reward Posting

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Jap-American Troop Praised by Kovac

Maj. Ivar Kovac, 5412 N. Leland av., operations and plans officer for the 442d Combat Team which is composed entirely of men of Japanese descent, last night told the Japanese-American Citizens' League that the troops were outstanding in the European theater for their courage and fighting spirit.

Chicago (Ill.) Herald-American

MILLER

This is the fifth of six articles of being a line officer in military decided he didn't like the prospect After the first World War he quired of officer candidates. two years' enlisted service then re-commissioned—soon after completing the commission—which he did in the His intention was to win a private in 1906. incidentally. He went in as a buck He is an up-from-the-ranks man, Up From the Ranks wonder.

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S. F. News

Called Disgrace

LOS ANGELES — The entire panel of the Los Angeles county grand jury appeared before the board of supervisors today and severely criticized juvenile detention conditions in the county jail.

Mrs. Carmen Boyle, member of the jury juvenile committed charged both the county jail and the Georgia street detention hall are "breeding places of crime, and a "disgrace to the county of Los Angeles."

She pointed out that conditions are such in the juvenile

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Reward Posting Plan Rejected in Jap Attacks

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FRESNO, June 14.—A proposal by Atty. Gen. Robert Kenny that local citizens' groups post rewards as a means of halting attacks upon Japanese was termed unnecessary, at least in Fresno County, by Dist. Atty. James M. Thuesen today.

Kenny's proposal was made at a conference in San Francisco with representatives of five groups seeking better racial understanding.

The Fresno prosecutor agreed with Kenny that no new charges could be filed in the case of Levi Multanen of Parlier, whose sentence was suspended when he pleaded guilty to firing shots in the home of a Parlier Japanese.

'Rewards Unnecessary'

"I talked at length with Kenny by telephone, both with reference to proposed rewards and the Multanen case," Thuesen reported. "That case cannot be reopened. This man pleaded guilty to the only count of which he was guilty. The evidence we had in the case would not substantiate the filing of any other criminal offense charge.

"While I am not opposed to the offering of rewards, I don't think it is necessary in this county, since the officers are using all of the facilities at their command to apprehend these criminals. Felony charges already have been issued, in the form of John Doe complaints, against the persons responsible.

"The citizens of this county are in favor of law enforcement and will assist the officers whenever possible. Since the conviction of Multanen there has not been one single instance of offense against any Japanese evacuee."

C. of C. Opposes Return of Japs Here for Work

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Marysville district chamber of commerce directors went on record at their regular meeting last night, opposing return of Japanese Americans to Yuba county to assist in the fruit harvest at this time. The following letter will be sent to Congressman Clarence F. Lea of this district, Harold L. Ickes, secretary of the interior, and U. S. Senators Sheridan Downey and Hiram W. Johnson.

"It has come to our attention that there is a decided move among certain elements within this community desirous of employing Japanese. These elements are, however, very definitely in the minority.

Cites Recent Incident in Wheatland Area

Through a recent occurrence in the city of Wheatland, Yuba county, we have experienced the hazards that go with the replacement of citizens of Japanese ancestry and Japanese-Americans in this area at this time.

It is the feeling of responsible farmers, and definitely the feeling of agricultural allied industrial operators that to employ Japanese in this area in agricultural pursuits will cause serious labor complications in our canneries and processing plants, the results of which would be a disastrous stoppage of the processing of food-stuffs 65 per cent to 70 per cent contracted at the present time to the U. S. army direct.

Unpleasant Contacts Possible With Soldiers

This community definitely feels that the re-deployment of soldiers returning from, and leaving for, the Pacific will incur many unpleasant contacts, to say the least, if the Japanese are allowed to return here at this time. This community's first consideration is with the welfare of our army and it is our desire to cooperate with them in the difficult task of processing maximum amount of food-stuffs for army consumption. It is further our desire to cooperate with the army, and particularly with Camp Beale, with its problem of ever-shifting troops to and from the Pacific theater of war."

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Fresno Official Rejects Kenny's Reward Proposal

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Offering of rewards for the apprehension of those using terroristic methods against returning Japanese-Americans is not necessary in Fresno county, District Attorney James M. Thuesen of that county has told Attorney General Robert W. Kenny, Thuesen said yesterday.

Kenny had suggested that posting of rewards might help, but Thuesen said he told Kenny that "officers in Fresno county are using all of the facilities at their command to apprehend these criminals."

Kenny's suggestion followed publicizing of the case of Levi Multanen, Fresno county rancher, who received a six months' suspended jail term after pleading guilty to firing into the home of a returned Japanese-American.

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ARTHUR CAYLOR

Park Head Forced to Be Diplomat in Race Affair

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The Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club not only got rid of a Nisei member recently, my men report, but changed its by-laws to exclude everybody but "white Caucasians." This might have been less in the nature of public business if headquarters of the organization hadn't been in Golden Gate Park, where its clubhouse and casting pools are publicly owned installations, built some years ago by the WPA.



At any rate, when news of the event came to the ears of President Lloyd Wilson of the Park Commission, he was disturbed. Inasmuch as the courts have held that it's rude to shoot at Japanese in California, especially when they are of American ancestry, there was no telling where a scrap over discrimination in a public park might lead. It might cause talk as far east as East Orange, N. J. People might even pass resolutions.

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For a while, my agents learn, Wilson didn't see how the shush could be kept on the affair. But, eventually, he discovered that back when the organization was allowed the use of park property—to provide the core of enthusiasm needed to keep such recreational projects going—former Park Comsr. John Lerman had obtained a promise that the "membership roll will at all times be open to any person of good character."

So Wilson put the matter straight to President Charles Barfield of the club, who has duly reported back that the original promise will be kept. As for the new by-law, it has been quietly taken out and dropped over Lands End.

Tale About Whales

The subject of angling reminds me about the sad case of the whales, which I guess it is all right to mention now that the 13th Naval District has taken the do-not-mention tag off sea monsters. Since the start of the war, it appears, whales have been taking a beating because so many of Uncle Sam's fighting men have mistaken them for submarines.

Somebody told me the other day that I should look into the whale situation because the slaughter has been terrific. Planes, blimps and helicopters have dropped explosives on whales far and wide, it appears, while ships of every sort have let go with artillery, rockets and depth-charges. About the only misfortune that hasn't happened to a whale is to step on a booby trap and have a leg blown off.

I haven't gone into it, however, as I don't know of a Government agency, even, whose people would interview the whales and get the dope. And I think it's silly to try the Armed Forces. The day when they will admit "Sighted whale; sank same" has not yet arrived.



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Nisei Return Held Major Youth Problem ²⁶⁸

FRESNO, June 15.—The return of the Nisei was described by Edwin Lee, dean of the University of California, Los Angeles campus School of Education, who spoke today at the Fresno State College commencement exercises, as one of the most complicated problems the youth of California will have to solve.

Just as great, he said, will be the problems of these Nisei boys and girls who for three years or more have been for a while behind barbed wire fences and for a while surrounded here and there by machine guns and for a while hearing strange tales about parents or brothers or sisters who had gone outside.

Jap Relocation To Be Discussed ²⁶⁸

The problem of relocating the Japanese people in Orange county will be considered at length by Yorba Linda Farm Center members, called today to meet Monday at 7 p. m. at the Yorba Linda Women's clubhouse by President Homer May of the center.

He said that the unit's discussion of the problem will probably herald a series of similar consideration by other farm units—most of which haven't even considered problems incident to return of Japanese to the county.

Paul D. Roberts, War Relocation Authority representative from Los Angeles, and Frank Grumble of the WRA's Santa Ana office will be speakers. There will be a brief business session prior to election of officers and their installation. It will be the final meeting prior to September.

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Southland race relations

Myer to inspect WRA facilities

Southern California War Re-
location Authority facilities will
be inspected by Dillon S. Myer,
national director of the agency
handling West Coast evacuees
of Japanese ancestry, it was an-
nounced today.

Myer will spend three days
here beginning June 18.

His one scheduled appearance
in the Los Angeles area will be
at an open meeting in Thorne
Hall, Occidental College, at 8
p. m. June 19.

Southern California WRA Su-
pervisor Paul G. Robertson dis-
closed that more than 50,000
citizens and aliens of Japanese
ancestry, all eligible to move any
place in the nation and screened
for loyalty by the War Depart-
ment, still remain in WRA's
eight relocation centers.

Government offices and staffs
to assist eligibles wishing to
make their homes in Southern
California now operate in Los
Angeles, San Diego, El Centro,
Santa Ana and Santa Barbara.

Since January 2, when the
army lifted the mass exclusion
ban, a total of 1022 persons
have relocated in the nine South-
ern California counties. Of these
911 are in Los Angeles county.

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San Francisco, Chron

Protest discrimination at Big Bear

Indignation was growing in
Hollywood today as news spread
of the discrimination against Ben
Carter, character actor and
comedian, by Andrew's Lodge at
Big Bear in the San Bernardino
mountains.

When Carter and Bill Stimson,
a Negro war veteran, appeared
at the lodge May 12 to claim
their reservations, Proprietor
Fred S. Baker expressed sur-
prise, said he wouldn't have ac-
cepted their reservations over the
phone had he known they were
Negroes. However, he permitted
them to go to their rooms.

A few hours later Baker
showed up with an armed posse

of civilians, declared Jews and
Negroes are not allowed there.

Carter and Stimson were forced
to leave and were followed down
the night-darkened road by the
posse which attempted to force
their auto over a cliff.

Carter and Stimson finally se-
cured lodging at the home of
Rev. Sessendon, prominent Pres-
byterian minister at Lake Ar-
rowhead.

Carter, now working at Metro-
Goldwyn-Mayer in "She Went to
the Races," is contemplating a
damage suit against Baker. Mo-
tion picture people are pledging
Carter their support.

Sailors told of Nisei war record

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15.—
To prevent any "incidents" be-
tween navy personnel and re-
located Japanese-Americans, the
12th Naval District has asked its
officers to inform the men "con-
cerning the contribution being
made by loyal Japanese-Ameri-
cans who are as rightfully en-
titled to protection under the
constitution as any other citizen
who have fought for its preser-
vation."

"The Japanese-Americans re-
locating here have proved their
loyalty to this country and many
of them are veterans with over-
seas service," states the order
which is being posted in all in-
coming vessels and naval in-
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The ILWU to Try Five Today in Race Bias Case

Special to The Chronicle
STOCKTON, June 16—Prepara-
tions were completed by both sides
today for the trial of five members
of the Stockton unit of CIO Ware-
housemen's Local 6 on charges of
refusing to work with a returned
Japanese.

The trial is to start at 11 a. m. to-
morrow at the unit's headquarters,
140 North Hunter street. The ware-
house local's trial committee of five
persons is expected to announce its
decision tomorrow afternoon.

Under the constitutional trial pro-
cedure of the CIO International
Longshoremen and Warehousemen's
Union, the verdict of the trial com-
mittee will go to the membership
of all the other units of Warehouse-
men's Local 6. These units are: Pet-
aluma, Crockett, San Jose, Oakland
and San Francisco.

20,000 TO VOTE
If the majority of the membership

of some 20,000 sustains the verdict,
it will stand. The entire process, it
is estimated, may take six weeks.

The five men accused by Richard
Lynden, president of Local 6, are:
O. A. Schmidt, C. B. Sheehy, J. M.
McNair, Alva Bone and Nick G.
Smith. They face a possibly penalty
of expulsion from the union.

The prosecution will be conducted
by Lynden. The accused will pre-
sent their own case. They have an
attorney, Harold Wyatt, but under
the rules of the union he cannot
appear at the hearing, unless per-
mitted to testify as to evidence just
as any other witness who might be
called.

THE TRIAL COMMITTEE
The five trial committee mem-
bers will be selected from a panel
of ten union members. The defense,
under the union constitution, has a
right to three peremptory chal-
lenges.

The case arose when Fukuso
Yamamoto, a Japanese returned re-
cently from a WRA center by Army
approval, was dispatched by the
union to work in a Stockton ware-
house. A controversy developed as
to whether the union members
should be asked to work with
Yamamoto.

Harry Bridges, international presi-
dent of the ILWU, has backed
Lynden throughout the case, in-
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help fascism by encouraging the
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State Vote Set on Tightening Anti-Alien Land Law

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EXAMINER BUREAU, SAC-
RAMENTO, June 16.—California
voters will be called upon at the
next general election to correct
technical weaknesses in the
State's anti-alien land law as the

result of assembly approval to
day of a senate constitutional
amendment.

The measure was authored by
Senator Jack B. Tenney of Los
Angeles, chairman of the legis-

lative interim committee on un-
American activities.

It was sponsored in the lower
house by Asemblyman Harold F.
Sawallisch of Richmond, who de-
clared that, if ratified by the peo-

ple, the amendment would pre-
vent circumvention of the 1920
anti-alien land law by persons
ineligible for United States citi-
zenship. Sawallisch charged that
certain technicalities permitted
alien Japanese to acquire title to
lands in strategic defense areas
prior to Pearl Harbor.

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Indicted by a Federal grand
jury in Phoenix on embezzle-
ment charges involving a South-
ern California Japanese-Amer-
ican, Albert F. Chamberlin, 52,
formerly evacuee property officer
at the Gila River Relocation
Center, was taken into custody
yesterday at Sunset Beach by
Dep. U.S. Marshal George Ros-
sini.

June 18



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**Racial Prejudices Active
Despite War Services.**
By (Miss) Corbett
The seven hills of Rome, in the
her 25 years as a deaconess Miss
Wilson has worked only with Ital-
ian-Americans. She speaks Ital-
ian, likes Italians, enjoys their
food and is delighted when they
invite her to dinner.
"I sometimes wish," she said,
"that we had a few elevator apart-
ment buildings in this parish, but
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I.L.W.U. Trial At Stockton Completed

By United Press

STOCKTON, June 18.—The International Longshoremen & Warehousemen Union trial of men who refused to work with returned Japanese at a local plant has been completed and the stenographic record will be presented to the union's general board in San Francisco for recommendation.

At a day-long hearing Sunday, Alva Bone, James McNair, O. A. Schmidt, C. V. Sheehy and Dick Smith were given opportunities to defend themselves on charges of failure to live up to union obligations. Mr. Sheehy refused to testify on grounds that the trial board was not set up according to the union constitution.

The general board will give a recommendation for or against ouster of the dissenting faction to the Stockton, Petaluma, San Jose and Oakland units for them to vote upon.

In refusing to testify, Mr. Sheehy asked that Richard Lynden be removed as prosecutor of the case because he also was the complaining witness. The trial board refused and announced it would try Mr. Sheehy in absentia.

Joe Lynch, vice president of the San Francisco Local No. 6, and in charge of the Stockton unit while it is under suspension, issued the following statement at conclusion of the trial:

"There are members of Japanese ancestry working in other divisions of the local I. L. W. U. and members of the Oakland, San Francisco, Stockton, Petaluma and San Jose units had voted to uphold the union policy of no discrimination."

1022 NISEI RETURN TO SO. CALIFORNIA COUNTIES

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, June 18.—Loyal Japanese-Americans totaling 1022 have relocated in nine Southern California counties since the Army ban was lifted, with 911 settling in Los Angeles County, Paul G. Robertson, Southern California War Relocation authority supervisor, disclosed last night.

More than 50,000 citizens of Japanese ancestry are eligible to live any place in the country but remain in the eight WRA relocation centers, Mr. Robertson said.

Dillon S. Myer, national director of the WRA, today was to start a three-day inspection of local WRA facilities. He is to speak tomorrow night at Occidental College, before the Eagle Rock Chapter of the Friends of the American Way.

Racial Prejudices Active Despite War Services.

By (Miss) Consuelo C. Young, National Association for Advancement of Colored People.

The Rome edition of Stars and Stripes for June 3 has a fine editorial on the fighting record made by Japanese-Americans in that

theater of operations. It cites particularly the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Regiment combat team, a battalion composed entirely of Japanese-Americans which is at or near the top in the number of decorations its members have received.

In connection with the outrages committed with impunity against some of the Japanese-Americans who have returned to their homes in the West Coast area, Stars and Stripes comments that the rescue of the Japanese-Americans performed was "a pretty tough assignment in the hands of Americans whose families were being beaten up by the families of other American lads."

The impunity from legal punishment with which these outrages against Americans of Japanese ancestry have been committed, plus the continued segregation and discrimination practices against Negroes, which is highlighted by the failure of Congress to pass a permanent Fair Employment Practices Committee bill, indicates that the struggle against racialism and for genuine democracy must continue here at home.

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He will speak tomorrow night in Thorne Hall, Occidental College, before the Eagle Rock chapter of the Friends of the American Way, and leave Wednesday for Fresno, Paul Robertson, Los Angeles area supervisor of the authority, said.

Robertson declared there are 50,000 Japanese-Americans in relocation camps still, who are free to settle anywhere in the country. Only 1022 have resettled in this district, he added.

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A Fighting Man Writes About Nisei

A soldier who fought with the Nisei in Italy, Private First Class Philip E. Lerman, 87th Mountain Infantry, APO 345, Care Postmaster, New York, urged, in a letter received by The Chronicle yesterday, Stockton longshoremen to work with Americans of Japanese ancestry. His letter read in part:

"I want to take the privilege as an American trade-unionist, and a soldier to oxcoriate the type of worker that refuses to work with a Nisei.

"Just a short month and a half ago my company pushed off on the offensive that saw the complete defeat of Nazism at its end. We had fought in the mountains and finally broke through to the Po valley.

"All this was made possible because a regiment of Japanese-Americans had a few days previous started a diversionary attack on the Ligu-rian coast.

"These men did not stop to consider what you would do or say. They picked up their weapons and savagely advanced against the Nazi.

"Those of us who have had the privilege to fight alongside the Nisei look upon him as a brother, a com-rade who has fought and suffered with us as Americans. We do not ask you to let them work with you. WE DEMAND IT.

"We have not left our homes, our wives and children, our future to allow men like you to start another holocaust in 10 years. Yours is the mentality that breeds Fascism. Too many Americans of Japanese, Irish, Slavic, Jewish, Negro and other de-scents have died to give you the privilege to live in our midsts.

"To the union trial committee I say 'Hats off!' Make our homes worth coming back to. Down with bigotry and ignorance."

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ILWU Trial--- Decision in Two Weeks

Special to The Chronicle STOCKTON, June 17—There will be no decision for approximately two weeks in the case of five Stockton warehousemen charged with refusal to work with a returned Japanese, Joseph Lynch, administrator of the suspended Stockton unit of CIO Warehousemen's Local 6, announced tonight, two hours after conclusion of a union trial.

Lynch said it would take some time to obtain a transcript of testimony given by the men before a union trial board, and that the transcript would have to be carefully studied.

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One of the five men accused of racial discrimination in violation of the union's constitution, C. V. Sheehy, refused to testify, stating that the trial was unconstitutional. "Richard Lynden, president of Local 6, is serving as prosecutor, complainant and a witness—all at once," Sheehy said. "Furthermore, the trial board members are not members of the Stockton unit as provided in Article 15. Section 6, of the bylaws."

The trial board, consisting of four men from San Francisco, three from Oakland, two from San Jose and two from Stockton, took formal notice of his protest.

The trial was held in the unit's headquarters, 140 North Hunter street. Three hours were taken for interrogation of Alva Bone. Only brief testimony was taken from the other three men, O. A. Schmidt, J. M. McNair and Nick G. Smith.

REFUSE TO SIGN

Lynch said all four men questioned refused to sign a pledge signifying their willingness to work alongside men of any race.

After the close of the trial at 5 p. m., Nick Smith said he intended to abide by the union constitution but "I hope they don't send another enemy alien to work with us."

The case rose when Fukuso Yamamoto, a Japanese returned recently from a WRA center, was dispatched by the union to work in a Stockton warehouse. Some men refused to work with him and the five men before the trial board today were accused as "ringleaders."

Lynch said the membership of Oakland, San Francisco, Crockett, Petaluma and San Jose had expressed their willingness to work with their fellow Americans regardless of ancestry.

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LEGISLATURE TALKS NEXT ELECTION BEFORE GOING HOME

268 BY LLOYD LAPHAM United Press Staff Correspondent

SACRAMENTO, June 18.—The State Legislature expected to adjourn its 1945 session late today, some 48 hours after the scheduled time, and legislative figures began to make their plans for the 1946 elections.

Assembly Speaker Charles Lyon (R., Beverly Hills) announced he planned to be a candidate for lieutenant governor, after more than 28 years as an assemblyman and state senator. He said he believed he should either be "elevated or relegated."

Then, Lieut. Gov. Frederick F. Houser, asked whether he intended to seek re-election, said his "present inclination" was to seek the U. S. Senate seat now held by Hiram Johnson. Mr. Houser was defeated for a similar position by U. S. Senator Sheridan Downey last November.

Later, Senator Jerrold Seawell (R., Roseville), the president pro tempore of the Senate for three sessions, announced he plans to run for membership on the State Board of Equalization. He would seek the post now held by Richard E. Collins of Redding.

The Assembly today passed and sent to Governor Warren a Senate bill appropriating \$15,175 to buy 5.47 acres of land adjoining San Jose State College for expansion.

In Sunday session, the Assembly approved a resolution setting up a seven-member committee of assemblymen to study health insurance plans. At the request of Assemblyman Albert C. Wollenberg (R., San Francisco), the resolution was amended to require that the committee report by July 1, 1946, rather than to the 1947 session of the Legislature.

Mr. Wollenberg pointed out that there have been reports that attempts will be made to place a health insurance proposition on the 1946 ballot.

The Assembly finally approved a resolution continuing the work of

the legislative committee on un-American affairs consisting of four senators and four assemblymen, although it had earlier insisted on holding a majority on the committee

A bill exempting employers of agricultural packing and processing workers from unemployment insurance was passed by the Assembly. However, the House defeated a bill which would have allowed the State Employment Stabilization Commission to disqualify from insurance benefits seasonal workers who earn more than half their annual income during a three months period.

Also finally approved was a series of bills appropriating nearly one million dollars for care and training of children affected with spastic paralysis.

The Senate defeated an Assembly-approved bill which would have allowed admission of blood tests on a limited basis as evidence in paternity suits.

The bill, by George D. Collins (D., San Francisco), would have permitted judges to admit blood tests as evidence where they showed that the man in the case was not the father of the infant involved.

The Senate also passed an Assembly bill by Bernard Brady (D., San Francisco) making a wife-beating husband automatically guilty of a felony. The upper house approved the bill 25 to 6 after ignoring a suggestion by Senator Jesse Mayo (R., Angels Camp) that it be amended to include wives who beat up their husbands.

The Senate approved continuance of a committee studying problems involved in the return of Japanese to the Pacific Coast and authorized the attorney general's office to spend \$200,000 in investigating violations of the Alien Land Act.

A bill creating a State Disaster Council to consider means of meeting emergencies from floods, fires or earthquakes was passed by the Assembly. The council would take over some of the powers of the War Council, which goes out of existence on July 1.

Final legislative approval also was given to a bill reorganizing the State Department of Industrial Relations and increasing the membership of the Industrial Accident Commission from three to seven.

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Two Japs Quit U. S. for Okinawa; Look at 'Em Now

Nozaki Shinichi and his attractive wife, Fumi, today are sadder but wiser Japanese. Found hiding in a cave in Southern Okinawa, the former operator of an Ashbury Park boardwalk concession told Corporal Herbert I. Ross, 31, of 2626 Baker street, San Francisco, that he and his wife had made "a very foolish mistake" when they left America.

They had had a large house in Shuri, Nozaki said, before the war on Okinawa began. He said they had lived in the United States for about 10 years and had been employed as a domestic in New York before he bought the Ashbury boardwalk concession selling crockery.

Both Nozaki and his wife had been sent back to Japan on the exchange ship Gripsholm in 1942 because they thought Japan would win the war.

Corporal Ross, a University of California graduate and former insurance broker, has been in the army two years and overseas nine months. He has two sons, John, aged three years and Christopher, two months old.