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ONTARIO, N.Y.-Mr. and Mrs. HIDEKAZU TSUJIMOTO, ISSEI, and their two children, formerly of Winters, California, have relocated from Tule Lake and are now residing in Ontario, N.Y., east of Rochester, N.Y., where Mr. Tsujimoto is employed by Mr. Glenn Rugg, a fruit grower. In addition to a yearly salary of \$1200 and a house, Mr. Tsujimoto is supplied with milk, eggs, chickens, and fuel.

BUFFALO, N.Y.-HISASHI SUGAWARA, a Nisei dental technician, resettled in Cincinnati, Ohio, and formerly of Granada, spent a week in Buffalo taking a course in partial denture designs conducted by William Gold Refining Company of Buffalo, N.Y.

BUFFALO, N.Y.-NISEI RIYO SATO, an industrial artist at the Curtiss Wright Corporation, and one of the first relocatees in Buffalo, N.Y., attended a picnic at Crystal Beach, Canada, a few Sundays ago along with her fellow employees. Miss Sato is from Heart Mountain and formerly from Palo Alto, California.

BUFFALO, N.Y.-Mr. and Mrs. KEN TAKEMOTO (and their baby) formerly of Tule Lake and Sacramento, California, who are resettled in Detroit, Michigan, were visitors to Buffalo, N.Y., on August 1 - 2, 1945. During their stay in Buffalo, they visited Niagara Falls. They went to Canada to view the American Falls. The Takemotos reported that they had no difficulty whatsoever entering Canada.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-NISEI SHIGEMI MURANAKA from Rohwer and formerly of Montebello, California, came to Rochester, N.Y., on July 25, 1945, on a 30-day short-term leave to investigate nursery, greenhouse and caretaker possibilities. On July 30, he began work for a florist and owner of greenhouses in Irondequoit, N.Y., a suburb of Rochester, N.Y. In addition to offering employment for Mr. Murakaka, the florist will also employ other members of the family. An eight-room house is available for the family. It is located at the place of work and is near schools and the shopping district.







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NEWS LETTER NO. 3  
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BUFFALO, N.Y.-JUNE HIRAOKA and MELBA KAMINAKA, NISEIS, formerly of Marysville, California, and Tule Lake, were recent arrivals in Buffalo, N.Y. The two girls made applications to the Meyer Memorial Hospital as Cadet Nurses. The Head Nurse informed them that it is likely they will be admitted to the September class. Pending their admittance in September, June and Melba are working as practical nurses at the Children's Hospital in Buffalo.

GIRARD, PA.-YOSHIO RAYMOND OSUGI, NISEI, formerly of San Fernando, California, and Rohwer, is now relocated in Girard, Pa., where he works for a potato grower. Very recently, Mrs. Osugi and the three children, Yoshime, 12, Mikio, 11, and Stanley, 29 months, were reunited with Mr. Osugi. Mr. and Mrs. Yaichi Baba, parents of Mrs. Osugi, relocated with them. The family is at present living with their employer, Mr. Frank Barney, until their new home is put in order.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-MOICHIRO SANO, ISSEI, formerly of San Luis Obispo, California, and Poston, is relocated in Rochester, N.Y. The members of the Sano family are working at the Park Avenue Hospital in Rochester. Last week, Mr. Sano dropped into the WRA office at the Brick Church Institute, 121 North Fitzhugh Street, Rochester. During the course of a conversation, he stated that things are going well with him and his family in Rochester.

BUFFALO, N.Y.-ITSUKO YOSHIWARA and TSURUKO TAKAHASHI, formerly of Oakland, California, and Topaz, were recent visitors to Buffalo, N.Y., from New York City. Itsuko Yoshiwara came to visit her sister, Haruye, who is a student at the University of Buffalo, majoring in accounting, while Tsuruko accompanied Itsuko on her trip. The girls visited Niagara Falls on Sunday, August 5, 1945, and had a grand time.







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NEWS LETTER NO. 4  
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BUFFALO, N.Y.-MORI NAKASHIMA, NISEI, formerly of Terminal Island, California, and Manzanar, who is a student at Cornell University, is spending the summer in Buffalo, N.Y., working as a painter. Mori finds Buffalo a very friendly city.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-ALICE KAWASAKI, NISEI, formerly of Portland, Oregon, and Minidoka, is a student nurse at Genesee Hospital, Rochester, N.Y. She says her new home delights her. "Everyone is so nice to me. They don't treat me as though I were different here."

BUFFALO, N.Y.-BILL TAKEI, NISEI, formerly of Montebello, California, and Rohwer, went to Los Angeles, California, by plane on July 29, 1945, for a two weeks' vacation. Last Friday, August 17, 1945, Bill returned to Buffalo, N.Y., where he is employed at the Curtiss Wright plant as an engineer. Bill says he's glad to be back in Buffalo where the people are friendly.

GIRARD, PA.-HIDEO HENRY SHIMIZU, NISEI, formerly of Petaluma, California, relocated to Girard, Pa., from Amache to work for a potato grower. Mr. Shimizu lives with his wife and six children in a home supplied by his employer. The two oldest Shimizu boys are also working during the summer.

BUFFALO, N.Y.-SADAICHI ASAI, NISEI, formerly of Terminal Island, California, and Poston, is affiliated with the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Buffalo, N.Y. During the absence of Rev. William A. Van Arsdale, pastor of the church and a member of the Buffalo Resettlement Committee, Sadaichi Asai and Miss Evangel Allen, church missionary, held a worship service on Wednesday evening, August 15, 1945, in observance of the termination of the war. Sadaichi plans to leave for Boston, Massachusetts, to attend Andover-Newton Theological School this coming September. On Sunday, August 19, 1945, Mr. and Mrs. Sadaichi Asai went to Crystal Beach, Canada, to attend a Christian Endeavor meeting.



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NEWSLETTER NO. 5  
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BUFFALO, N.Y.-JOHN K. HIRANUMRA, ISSEI, and his wife, EDNA HIRANUMA, NISEI, formerly of Los Angeles, California, and Heart Mountain, are moving into their new home at 136 Cottage Street (upper), Buffalo, N. Y. They have been staying at the Buffalo Hostel, located at 39 St. John's Place, Buffalo, N.Y. Mr. Hiranuma is employed as a cook in one of the Buffalo restaurants.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-TAKESHI IKEDA, YOUNG ISSEI, formerly of Tacoma, Washington, and Heart Mountain, is employed as a lens grinder at the Clinton Optical Company, 36 North Clinton Street, Rochester, N.Y.

SNYDER, N.Y.-SHIGEJI MAKINO, ISSEI, formerly of Los Gatos, California, and Heart Mountain, is employed at Park School, Snyder, N.Y., as head cook. His daughter, Mrs. Fumiko Kitazawa of Syracuse. Her husband is also attending the university doing research work. Mr. Makino is very happily relocated as head cook at Park School.

BUFFALO, N.Y.- Mr. and Mrs. HENRY H. YAMASAKI, ISSEIS, formerly of Los Angeles, California, and Rohwer, were recent visitors to Buffalo, N.Y., from New York City. They went to see the world-famous Niagara Falls during their brief stay in Buffalo.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-JOHN N. FUYUME, NISEI, formerly of Pasadena, California, and Gila, is a student at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y., majoring in Piano. He is living with Dr. and Mrs. Harold Nicely of Rochester, N.Y., for whom he does part-time work.

CLYMER, N.Y.-Mr. and Mrs. TOSHIO NISHIMURA, NISEIS, and their six children, formerly of Salinas, California, and Poston, are resettled in Clymer, N.Y., about 70 miles southwest of Buffalo. Mr. Nishimura is employed by Mr. Frank Barney, a potato grower.



# NEWS LETTER

OCTOBER, 1945

WESTERN N.Y. DISTRICT

## LOUDEST CHEERS FOR 100TH INFANTRY IN HAWAII PARADE

HONOLULU, T. H.- The loudest cheers in Hawaii's three-day celebration of victory over Japan were for "remnants" of the original 100th Infantry Battalion of Japanese Americans from Hawaii who made military history in Italy the Associated Press reported on Sept. 3.

Men of the 100th Battalion, many of them wounded, wearing the "Red Bull" shoulder patch of the 34th Division, were in the line of march as more than 30,000 persons, representing every race, color and creed in the mid-Pacific melting pot, paraded to celebrate the ending of the war which began with the attack on Pearl Harbor nearly four years ago.

Among the marchers were thousands of Americans of Japanese ancestry.

## ★ OVERSEAS BOOSTERS BRING ★ NISEI VET TO BUFFALO, N.Y. ★

To the list of returning veterans who have chosen Buffalo as the city in which they will foster their postwar ambitions may be added the name of Pfc. Karl Nakazawa, 26, first member of the famed 442nd Combat Team to contemplate settling here.

Karl arrived Friday night, September 21, 1945, and visited Relocation Officer George E. Graff of the War Relocation Authority, who will help him to find suitable housing. Never in Buffalo before, he selected the city after hearing about its merits from his buddies overseas.

"It seems to me that Buffalo has the conveniences of larger cities, without the congestion," the veteran said.

EXCERPTS FROM A LETTER  
WRITTEN FROM VISALIA, CALIFORNIA, ON SEPT. 19  
By Mr. Robert M. Cullum, WRA Great Lakes Area Supr.

"The whole business boils down to this: relocation out here is done by the same methods as we have used with success in the east. There is probably more ignorance about the problem, for there are more closed minds. I doubt that there are more race baiters, but those that are  
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THE HOSTEL FUND IS ALMOST DEPLETED  
WITH SEVERAL PLEDGES NOT FULFILLED



DATA ON RELOCATION TO THE WESTERN NEW YORK DISTRICT

	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>
Number arrived in district.....	6	26
Number returned to coast.....	2	0
Number left for other districts....	3	8

RELOCATEES IN WESTERN NEW YORK DISTRICT

	<u>Isseis</u>	<u>Niseis</u>	<u>Sanseis</u>
Buffalo, N.Y.....	16	35	8
Rochester, N.Y.....	17	59	7
Erie, Girard, Pa.....	4	7	16

EXCERPTS FROM MR. CULLUM'S LETTER (Continued from Page One)

here have been going unchallenged so long they think they represent the whole; which is false. Conversely, there are just as many people of good will and of courage out here as elsewhere, except that they must push a bit harder, for they are against the seeming stream."

"This past Saturday afternoon, my work took me near Parlier where Sue Yamashiro (Ex-WRA Buffalo) lives. Sue is with WRA in Fresno now. I stopped by, and had a nice visit with her, and with her parents. They are getting along O.K. Neighbors fine. Her father showed me around the place, and it was most obvious why those with farms are so desperate to return. There was a flowering cherry trained to flatness over a circular frame fifteen feet in diameter. There was a Chinese Apple, with three kinds of fruit through grafting. (On another farm I saw a nectarine tree with six varieties) As something of a tinkerer myself, I know just about how they feel."

camp in carving canes, of which he had a box full, and making small cabinets out of cactus wood. Sue's mother and brother who was back from the army had been out picking grapes. With a bit of an imp in it her mother told me she earned \$8.50 a day, and that was better than Sue did! She is a vital person."

"On Monday, most of the Tulare County Schools opened. Some of the good people around Ivanhoe had made remarks about children coming to their school, etc., etc. The Supt. of Schools wasn't having any, he wouldn't budge, and had everything ready to go at the first adverse report. But no crisis. Just another case of a stiff, sound attitude carrying the day."

"And so it goes. Democracy is a process, and we are both the material being wrought and the workmen."

Sincerely,

/s/ Bob

"Sue's father spent full time at



## RELOCATEES MEET TO DISCUSS FALL ACTIVITIES

Last Saturday night, October 6, Buffalo relocatees met at the International Institute. The activities are to include: a visit to Niagara Falls, a Thanksgiving dinner, and a Christmas program with an invitation to the Rochester relocatees. The meeting was concluded with a cup of hot tea and cookies.

## NEW PROGRAM CHAIRMAN AT INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE

May we introduce Miss Katherine L. Haviland, the new Program Chairman from Boston, Massachusetts, where she was Director of 'Girls' Activities at Lincoln Settlement House, and she taught in Palestine.

Miss Lola de Grille, Miss Haviland's predecessor, has been transferred to Detroit, Michigan, where she is assuming similar duties with the International Institute there.

## T/5 SHIG OKADA WELCOMED BACK TO BUFFALO

Pioneer Buffalo relocatees remember the ever smiling and beaming Shig Okada. He was attending the University of Buffalo before entering the Army in October, 1944. The Christian Endeavor group of the Emmanuel Baptist Church gave Shig an impromptu welcome "get-together" on Sunday night at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Van Arsdale. Shig left Monday night. He is expected to go overseas to Japan for occupational duty.

## BAISHIKIS BLESSED WITH BABY BOY

On August 12, 1945, Sadao Baishiki had reason to be excited, for his wife presented him with a baby boy whom they have named Rodney Sadao Baishiki. Already Rodney is 2 months old. The Baishikis are residing at 343 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo 9, N.Y.

## PARK SCHOOL EMPLOYS FIVE PERSONS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY

Mr. M. Adolphus Cheek, Jr., Chairman of the Buffalo Resettlement Committee and head of Park School, has five persons working at Park School. They are: Mr. Sukeo Yokota (gardener), Mr. Shigeji Makino (cook), Mr. Joe Tamaki (assistant cook), Mr. Hatsugoro Fukumiyo (boilerman), and Mr. Akitaro Kondo (temporarily as kitchen helper). Mr. Cheek helps the relocatees by actually employing them.

## RIYO SATO LEAVES BUFFALO

One of the earlier Buffalo relocatees, Riyo Sato left for Chicago on September 12. She was employed at the Curtiss Wright Corporation as an industrial artist during her stay in Buffalo. Riyo's address in Chicago is 5531 Kenwood, Chicago 37, Illinois.

## ALMA FUKUDA ARRIVES FROM CHICAGO

There was a family reunion in the Fukuda household when Alma arrived a few weeks ago from Chicago.

REMEMBER EVERYONE!  
NIAGARA FALLS OUTING  
MEET AT INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1945, BY 1:45 P.M.  
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## MAIDA SISTERS LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA

Richmond  
Junko and Meriko Maida left for Richmond, California, on September 13. Junko was attending the University of Rochester while Meriko worked in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Charles T. DePuy. Their address is 4855 Wall Avenue, Richmond, California.

## GOW SCHOOL EMPLOYS ISSEI COUPLE

Mr. & Mrs. Roy G. Koyama, formerly of Rohwer and Los Angeles, are employed at Gow School, a private boys' school in South Wales, N.Y., as cook and assistant.

## HARUYE YOSHIWARA LEAVES FOR CALIF.

Oakland  
On Wednesday, October 10, Haruye left for Oakland, California, where she will attend the University of California at Berkeley. While in Buffalo, she attended the University of Buffalo, majoring in accounting. Her address will be 2760 Grove Street, Oakland, California.

NISEI INSTRUCTOR AT  
UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

Mr. Masuo Kodani, formerly of Tule Lake and Berkeley, California, has obtained a position at the University of Rochester in the Zoology Department through the efforts of Professor Richard Blanc, as well as housing.

Before evacuation, Mr. Kodani was Research Assistant in the Zoology Department of the University of California at Berkeley.

Mr. Kodani lives with his wife and two children at 47 Remington Parkway, Rochester, N.Y.

## FRED CHINO INDUCTED IN ARMY

On August 1, 1945, Fred was inducted into the U.S. Army. Before entering the Army, he was working at the Timely Clothes Inc. in Rochester. He is now at Camp Croft, South Carolina.

LOCHLAND SCHOOL HAS  
3 NISEIS ON STAFF

The Lochland School in Geneva, N.Y., employs Miss Rosie Takahashi, formerly of Poston and Dinuba, California, as music director; Miss Seiko Ishida, formerly of Manzanar and Bell, California, as director of nursery; and Miss Yaye Yamamoto, formerly of Tule Lake and Los Angeles, California, as an assistant.

FORMER RELOCATION OFFICER  
WITH VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Claud C. Cornwall, former WRA Relocation Officer in Rochester, N.Y., is now with the Veterans Administration in Batavia, N.Y.

PARENTS OF TULE LAKE  
PERSONNEL LIVE IN BUFFALO

Relocates from Tule Lake are familiar with the names of Miss Irene Opler and Mrs. Charlotte Opler, for they are the Relocation Advisers at Tule Lake.

Whenever anyone leaves for Buffalo or Rochester, N.Y., an invitation is invariably given to visit their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Opler, who live at 600 Ashland Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y.

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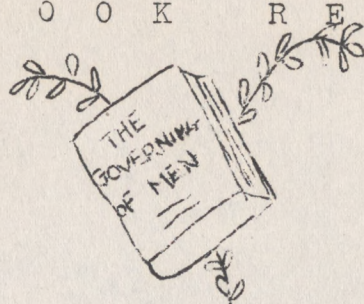
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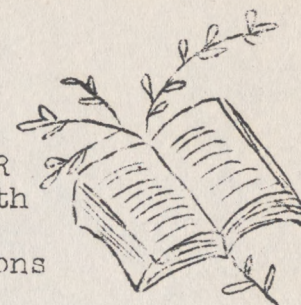
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## B O O K R E V I E W

The Governing of Men

- By Alexander H. Leighton  
Lieutenant Commander, USNR
- Published in cooperation with  
the American Council, In-  
stitute of Pacific Relations
- 400 pages - \$3.75



This is indeed no ordinary book, and it deals with a subject that is of great importance and significance at the present time. The author, Commander Leighton of the U.S. Navy, is a doctor of medicine whose fields have been mostly psychiatry and social anthropology. He had formerly been engaged in field work among the Navajo Indians in the Southwest and the Eskimos in Alaska.

Equipped with this experience and background, Commander Leighton was assigned by the Navy to Poston, Arizona, one of the Relocation Centers for the Japanese who had been evacuated from the coastal areas. The relocation camp afforded an excellent opportunity to observe and study people who were forced into a new mode of life, and who subsequently were subject to the various types of stress that are disturbing to the emotions and thoughts of people, such as "threats to life and health, discomfort from pain, heat, cold, fatigue, poor food; loss of means of subsistence, business property; enforced idleness, restriction of movement; capricious and unpredictable behavior on the part of those in authority."

This book will appeal to officers facing problems of civil administration, citizens interested in minority groups and race relations in the U.S., students of public opinion and of industrial relations in government, industry, and labor, sociologists, and psychiatrists. All in all, "The Governing of Men" is recommended to the general reader.

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Mr. Ted A. Stephenson  
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# NEWS BULLETIN

## NISEI WIN GLORY ON TWO BATTLE FRONTS

MAY 1945

BUFFALO, N.Y.

### FROM THE PACIFIC: IWO JIMA:

IWO JIMA-- American-born Japanese-- Nisei--are responsible for surrender of virtually all of the scores and scores of prisoners taken on Iwo Jima, Elmont Waite, Associated Press reporter, declared in a dispatch from Iwo Jima in the Seattle Times of April 23.

Down on the ripped up end of Iwo Island nearest Japan, infantry patrols were blowing up caves daily as late as mid-April, Waite reported. There still were live--and fighting--Japanese in the caves. Sometimes they surrendered. At other times they were mute when Japanese-language appeals were shouted into the cave mouths.

As many as 120 within one four day period surrendered in answer to such appeals. No one knows exactly how many others died in the blast of cave-sealing high explosives.

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FROM EUROPE: ITALY: April 28, 1945-- Seven American soldiers of Japanese-extraction have been killed and 44 others wounded in action since the return of the 442nd (Japanese American) Infantry Regiment to Italy recently. This total represents casualties reported by the OWI in Washington this week and reports received from relocation center sources.

According to front line reports, the Japanese American unit "spearheaded" the 5th Army's drive along the west coast of Italy. Late reports stated La Spezia, the objective of the 442nd's drive, had been taken. On April 27, 5th Army forces on Italy's west coast were reported to have entered Genoa.

Return of the Japanese American 442nd Regiment to the Italian front was a "well kept secret," Sgt. Stan Swinton, staff correspondent of Stars and Stripes  
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## CAMPAIGN OPENS FOR BUFFALO HOSTEL

"The Resettlement Committee's campaign for a hostel has officially been launched with the mailing out of over a thousand informative leaflets," stated M. Adolphus Cheek, Jr., Chairman of the Buffalo Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans.

"Our various committees are conscientiously working to make the hostel a reality. The Committee has felt for some time that due to the tight housing situation, we need in Buffalo a hostel where the evacuees can live at a minimum charge until permanent housing is found. Japanese Americans have more than proved themselves on the battlefields and on the home front. After their unhappy experiences on the west coast and in relocation centers, this, it seems to me, is the least we owe them. As a responsible American community, Buffalo can absorb its share of Japanese American neighbors," Mr. Cheek concluded.

Dr. Clara H. Town, Chairman of the sub-committee on housing, is spending a great deal of her time searching for a house which can be appropriately used for a hostel. A five room apartment has been found and is being proposed to the Housing Committee as a temporary hostel until a house can be secured.

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"We'll need everyone's financial support -- Committee members and their friends-- if we are to meet our goal," asserted Miss E. Marguerite Gane, who is Chairman of the Finance Committee. "The very minimum we'll need is \$3,500." All checks should be made payable to Mr. C. Edward Berryman, Treasurer, Buffalo Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans, Marine Trust Building, Buffalo 3, New York.

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A lieutenant and one of the Nisei rolled up the record of 120 prisoners in four days, Waite said.

The Nisei, according to the battalion commander, "were brought here for office work, and by golly, they've done better in the field than anyone. They're really good, no fooling. They try hard and they're smart -- really interested in their jobs."

"Americans are building an airport right over your head," the Nisei interpreters shouted into one of the silent cave mouths. "The war on Iwo Jima is over. Bulldozers are waiting to close up your cave."

A Japanese captain walked out with his hands on his head. Later six more of the enemy emerged from the cave. The rest of the Japanese refused to come out. Then the signal was given and WHAM went the cave.

#### BUFFALO NISEI MAKE STRIDES WIN ACCEPTANCE ON HOME FRONT

Americans of Japanese ancestry working in war plants and in many essential industries are all doing their part on the home front in bringing about a quick victory over Japan.

A few weeks ago the Evening News ran an item on Toshio Shoji, an evacuee working at Maxson Cadillac Pontiac Co. for the past two years. The article starts, "It's going to break our hearts when 'Tommy' leaves us for the army. Everybody likes him," was the tribute paid him by his employer.

Buffalo employers are well satisfied with evacuee employees. They are working here as engineers in an aircraft factory, as industrial designers, stenographers, mechanics, radio technicians, university workers, department store employees, church workers, social workers, in printing plants, as domestics, farmers,

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Army newspaper for the European theater of operations, reported in a recent dispatch.

According to Swinton, the 442nd left France on March 15 and were brought to Italy in three groups. They remained within carefully guarded bivouac areas until April 4 when they moved into the line and hid within mountain villages until the attack was launched.

"German prisoners said they had been caught completely by surprise", Swinton reported.

Men of the 442nd, according to Swinton "have won an impressive list of decorations." They hold 31 Distinguished Service Crosses, 183 Silver Stars, 218 Bronze Stars while the regiment as a whole has won 64 divisional citations.

The Stars and Stripes story said the Japanese Americans "were veterans of some of the grimmest battles of the Italian campaign."

There are nine Buffalo evacuees in the armed forces. Over 17,600 Nisei have been inducted in the United States.

#### NOTICE

General Committee Meeting  
May 18th, 4 P.M.  
at the International Institute  
Speaker: Mark Dauber, Exec. Secy.  
of the Committee on Resettlement  
of Japanese Americans in New York  
City.

"...AMERICANISM IS A MATTER OF MIND  
AND HEART...it is NOT and NEVER was a  
matter of race or ancestry."

-- Franklin Delano Roosevelt  
Feb. 3, 1943

gardeners, in wholesale food stores and  
in many other types of business

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# NEWS BULLETIN

AUGUST, 1945

BUFFALO, NEW YORK

## KALTENBORN HAILS NISEI ROLE IN WAR AGAINST JAPANESE

"As one who has personal contact with the magnificent contribution being made by young Americans of Japanese ancestry to our war effort in the South and Southwest Pacific, I am happy to make this contribution. I feel that I personally owe something to my fellow Americans of Japanese ancestry to make up for the sometimes unfair and sometimes unintelligent treatment they have received," stated the nationally known NBC radio commentator in a letter to Benjamin H. Bull, Madison, Wisconsin, attorney, in which he enclosed his personal check for \$100 to provide a scholarship for students of Japanese ancestry.

## RELOCATION CENTERS TO CLOSE

Definite dates for the closing of the relocation centers during the latter part of this year has been set as follows:

<u>Center</u>	<u>On or Before</u>
Granada-----	Oct. 15, 1945
Minidoka & Central Utah----	Nov. 1, 1945
Heart Mountain & Gila-----	Nov. 15, 1945
Manzanar & Colorado River--	Dec. 1, 1945
Rohwer-----	Dec. 15, 1945

One camp at Gila River and two at Colorado River are scheduled to close October 1, 1945.

## THE CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS FOR TEMPORARY HOUSING FOR RELOCATEES CONTINUES

Checks for the Hostel Fund should be made payable to Mr. C. Edward Berryman, Treasurer, Buffalo Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans, Marine Trust Building, Buffalo 3, New York.

## AMERICAN CITIZENS MEET WAR CONDITIONS

In the lobby of the Buffalo Public Library for the past few weeks has been an exhibit which tells the part being played by the Americans of Japanese ancestry on the warfronts and the homefronts. A story about this exhibit was in the Buffalo Courier-Express on Wednesday, July 11, 1945.

## TEMPORARY HOSTEL USED BY TWO FAMILIES

During the month of June, two families have used the five-room apartment, provided by the Buffalo Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans for temporary housing. They are Mr. and Mrs. John Hiranuma and their child and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tamaki and their two children.

If you know of anyone who could house someone temporarily call  
DR. TOWN, (Rm. 0253).



## DEPARTURES FROM RELOCATION CENTERS

The most recent figures on departures from the relocation centers indicate that 44.5 per cent of the center residents are now returning to the evacuated area and that 3 per cent relocated to New York State. During the month of June, thirty-one relocated to the Western New York District of the WRA. Buffalo now has 47 relocatees. Since January 2, 1945, 15 relocatees returned to the West Coast. June was the first month for some time now that a Nisei has not been inducted into the armed services.

Exclusive of the Tule Lake Center, on July 14, 1945, the total population of the eight relocation centers was 43,543. Mr. Dillon Myer, National Director of the WRA, recently stated that movement from the centers was just about what has been anticipated.

Permanent HOUSING IS NEEDED for relocatees. When you learn of an apartment or flat, (furnished or unfurnished) that is FOR RENT, please phone Dr. Town, GRant 0853.

## . . . . . NEWS ITEMS . . . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Mihara and their three children are living temporarily in the home of Rev. and Mrs. John Annas. Rev. Annas is the pastor of the First Methodist Church, Baynes and Potomac, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Max Franzen, Director of the Cleveland Hostel recently spent some time assisting relocatees in securing permanent housing.

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## WHAT WE'RE FIGHTING FOR

"Lots of hardships yet a chance to have the experience of a life-time, a chance to serve our country, to be in places which are the headlines of today, the history of tomorrow. An opportunity to serve in the places you are needed most and a chance to meet people and make friends that are more than just acquaintances because you have been through so much together.

"I get a big thrill when I look at a map and realize that in all the hot spots some of my friends are there and on the job. . . .

"I have a good chance of not coming out of this alive and I tell you that I don't mind dying but I won't stand for anyone undoing all of the good work that all of us are doing."

--American Sergeant of Japanese ancestry in a Combat Zone. --From a letter in War Department files.

## . . . . . NEWS ITEMS (Cont'd) . . . . .

A picnic of the resettlers was held on Sunday afternoon, July 29, 1945, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tsujimoto at Springbrook, which is near East Aurora, New York. Everyone had an enjoyable time at the Tsujimoto farm.

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## LITERATURE AVAILABLE AT WRA OFFICE UPON REQUEST

Please write to:

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
1126 Rand Building  
Buffalo 3, New York

1. Myths and Facts about the Japanese Americans  
Answers common misconceptions regarding Americans of Japanese ancestry.
2. Hail the Japanese-American GI's  
Reprint of an article condensed from "The American Mercury"
3. They Work for Victory  
The story of the Japanese Americans and the war effort
4. Relocating Japanese Americans
5. Nisei in the War against Japan  
Reprints of articles relating to the men in the armed services of the United States of America.

A book worth reading is The Governing of Men by Licut. Commander Alexander H. Leighton, social analyst at the Colorado River Relocation Center, Poston, Arizona.

## NISEI IN THE WAR AGAINST JAPAN

Anyone who has a doubt about the participation of the Americans of Japanese ancestry should be referred to the pamphlet available at the WRA office entitled Nisei in the War against Japan.

..... YOU CAN HELP .....

Your organization can help with the program of the Resettlement Committee. Please phone Dr. Town, GRant 0853 concerning housing and Miss Gane, WASHINGTON 6586 concerning finances.

## DEMOCRACY IS FOR THE UNAFRAID

"When the white man banishes his fear, he will banish with it all the bugaboos of race; and he himself will for the first time be free. For people who nurture race hatred and dedicate their lives to the proposition that they are superior are never free; their thoughts, efforts, and aims are always limited and hindered by the necessity of proving it."

Chester B. Himes, "Democracy is for the Unafraid," Common Ground, Winter, 1944.