

Internees in U. S. Nicely Treated, Spain Tells Tokyo

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Examiner said today Spanish government assurances that Japanese interned in the United States are being given civilized treatment are en route to the Japanese government.

The report to Japan, the paper said, is being cleared through the Spanish embassy in Washington, D. C., and is based on an investigation of Japanese relocation centers in this country.

The investigation extended over a period of several months and was conducted by representatives of the Spanish government in behalf of and at the request of the Japanese government.

The segregation center at Tule Lake, Calif., where 16,000 disloyal internees resided November 1 and the United States army subsequently took control, was included in the report.

The report, the Examiner said, "declares in clear, precise terms that the Japanese at Tule Lake and four other relocation centers for Japanese are receiving a generous sufficiency of food; that sanitation facilities, including light and recreation, are 'excellent'; that, in effect, all five camps are characterized by 'favorable' conditions."

The army was credited with giving the same "favorable" treatment to the Japanese at Tule Lake as the War Relocation authority, formerly in charge there, but it was said army control was "firmer."

Farm WAR NEWS

2ND DAIRY FEED PAYMENT

Oregon dairy farmers start presenting sales evidence on January 1 to county AAA offices to receive their dairy feed program payments for November and December. Farmers who did not apply for the October payment may include October sales evidence in their application for the November-December payment. A total of 12,004 Oregon producers have received their October payment, aggregating \$211,548. In Douglas county, 1256 farmers received \$3,338.45 in payments, covering 9685 pounds of milk and 15,618 pounds of butterfat delivered during October.

Farmers and farm laborers who have time during the slack winter season to work in the woods or in lumber mills to help offset the critical lumber shortages, needn't fear loss of their agricultural deferments.

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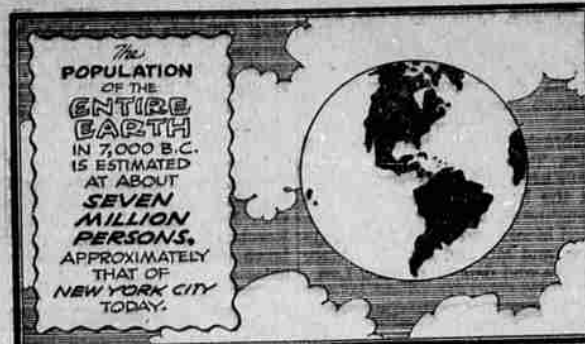
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turally deferred registrants temporary releases for non-farm work is contained in selective service regulations. To obtain a release, a registrant first obtains a written statement from his local county war board regarding the period of time which he can be spared from agricultural work. This statement is submitted to the selective service board with which the individual is registered for approval.

WFA is encouraging farmers to contribute to alleviating the lumber shortage by increasing production from farm woodlands, and providing labor services during the winter to lumber industries.

FEED WHEAT FIGURES

It is estimated by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics that for the 1943-44 year beginning in July that about 480,000,000 bushels of wheat will be used for livestock feed. This includes Commodity Credit corporation sales of domestic and imported wheat, wheat fed on farms where grown, and small quantities of wheat purchased by feeders on the open market.

ON RATION LIST

Sheet metal water well casing is on the ration list, but an exemption of \$100 per well is allowed so that farmers needing small amounts for supplies or maintenance or for sinking small wells will not be required to obtain ration certificates. This type of well casing is made of flat steel sheets which are rolled and welded or riveted into sections. Far western farm interests requested rationing of the casing on the grounds that former distribution controls were inadequate.

SOME PRICE FACTS

Wheat prices have advanced since late September to the highest levels in 15 years. Even with the recent advance, prices are below the high levels in World war I, but are considerably above levels which would exist under peace conditions and without governmental support. The average price received by farmers for oats in mid-October was 72 per cent higher than a year earlier, while the barley price was 79 per cent higher. Corn was up only 38 per cent, but was under ceiling.

BETTER THAN EXPECTED

The feeding situation on both feeder lambs and cattle is con-

siderably better than had been indicated earlier, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

Lamb feeding: Large November shipments of feeder lambs into the corn belt and into some western feeding areas changed the feeding situation considerably from what was indicated earlier. Total number of lambs fed this season is expected to fall short of a year ago, but the reduction will be much less than seemed probable a month ago. In some of the western states relatively large numbers of lambs are being fed by or for growers and traders who were not willing to sell their lambs at low prices.

Cattle on feed: Reduction in cattle feeding operations will not be so large as seemed probable a month or two ago. The outlook improved with heavy November movement of stocker and feeder cattle into the corn belt states and of feeder cattle into feed lots in other states. November shipments into the corn-belt were almost as large as the record shipments for the month last year. November cattle marketings were of record proportions for the month and included a large supply of cattle suitable for stocker and feeder purposes. Prices of stockers and feeders dropped sharply while prices of good and choice slaughter cattle continued at levels close to late October levels. This tended to encourage the buying of unfinished cattle.

FOOD FRONT BRIEFS

While the number of milk cows continues above a year ago, the flow of milk per cow has been 4 to 5 per cent under 1942 levels during recent months. The number of hens has been increasing rapidly, and November egg production was about 4 per cent higher than it was last year, which is good news since all-out egg production is needed.

The temporary regulation setting maximum prices which may be charged for oats, barley and grain sorghums specifically states that "shall have no application to sales of oats, barley, and grain sorghums used as seed for planting." Irish potatoes are off the list of dehydrated vegetables reserved for war needs since prospective supplies appear sufficient to meet all government war requirements, but dehydrated beets, cabbage, onion, and rutabagas remain on the reserved list.

WFA officials are watching marketing reports closely for signs of greater movement of corn from surplus producing areas to feed-importing areas, but scattered reports at the end of the first two weeks of the higher corn ceilings indicated very little acceleration in the movement. After January 16, 1944 all types of yeast-raised commercial bakery products—to the extent that white flour is used—must contain specified minimum food values. Enrichment of commercially baked white bread has been required since last January under food distribution order 1 and the extension of the bread bolstering program by WFA is designed to help maintain adequate nutritional wartime diets.

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Cons Must Answer For Victim's Death

PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Henry W. Merten, 30, and Walter Higgins, 26, faced further indictments today as a result of the death yesterday of Ralph Dahlen, 28, who was wounded in a tavern holdup for which they were convicted.

Dahlen, bakery proprietor at Oak Grove, was shot in the abdomen while eating breakfast July 22 in the Wherry tavern near suburban Milwaukie. His condition never improved sufficiently to permit an operation for removal of the bullet.

Merten and Higgins, accused of a series of tavern holdups in Oregon and Washington, were arrested by FBI agents at Santa Monica, Calif., and returned to Oregon City where they were sentenced to life imprisonment

in the state penitentiary as habitual criminals.

Capt. Wayne Gurdane of the state police said Clackamas county authorities would call a grand jury within three or four days to consider slaying charges against the men.

Alcohol Production From Sulfite Waste Approved

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Representative Coffee (D-Wash.) said yesterday that the chemical division of the War Production board had notified him it had decided to approve alcohol production from sulfite waste liquor from pulp mills.

Coffee said that this decision must be approved by WPB but that he believed this would be done because of the need for alcohol.

The representative has urged approval of plans of the Puget Sound Pulp and Timber company for a plant to convert the sulfite waste into alcohol. He said the

company indicated it could produce alcohol for 18 cents to 20 cents a gallon compared to 85 and 90 cents a gallon the government now pays.

Representative Ellsworth (R-Ore.) announced recently he had been informed that the WPB would approve plans for producing alcohol from sawdust and waste wood in Oregon.

NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Letters received by Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Higgins of Anlauf report that their son, Bud, has arrived in England. He is serving in the army as a staff sergeant.

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Munson of Roseburg that their son, Kenneth A. Munson, electrician first class, has been assigned to a newly commissioned fighting ship on the east coast.

QUOT-A UNQUOT-A

MARTINSBURG, W. Va.—A draft board scanned the report on a quota of 12 inductees called last week. One of the 12 was injured in an accident and was delayed until a future quota. Another failed to get his notice to report and was referred to a later call.

Of the 10 who got to the Clarksburg induction station, sev-

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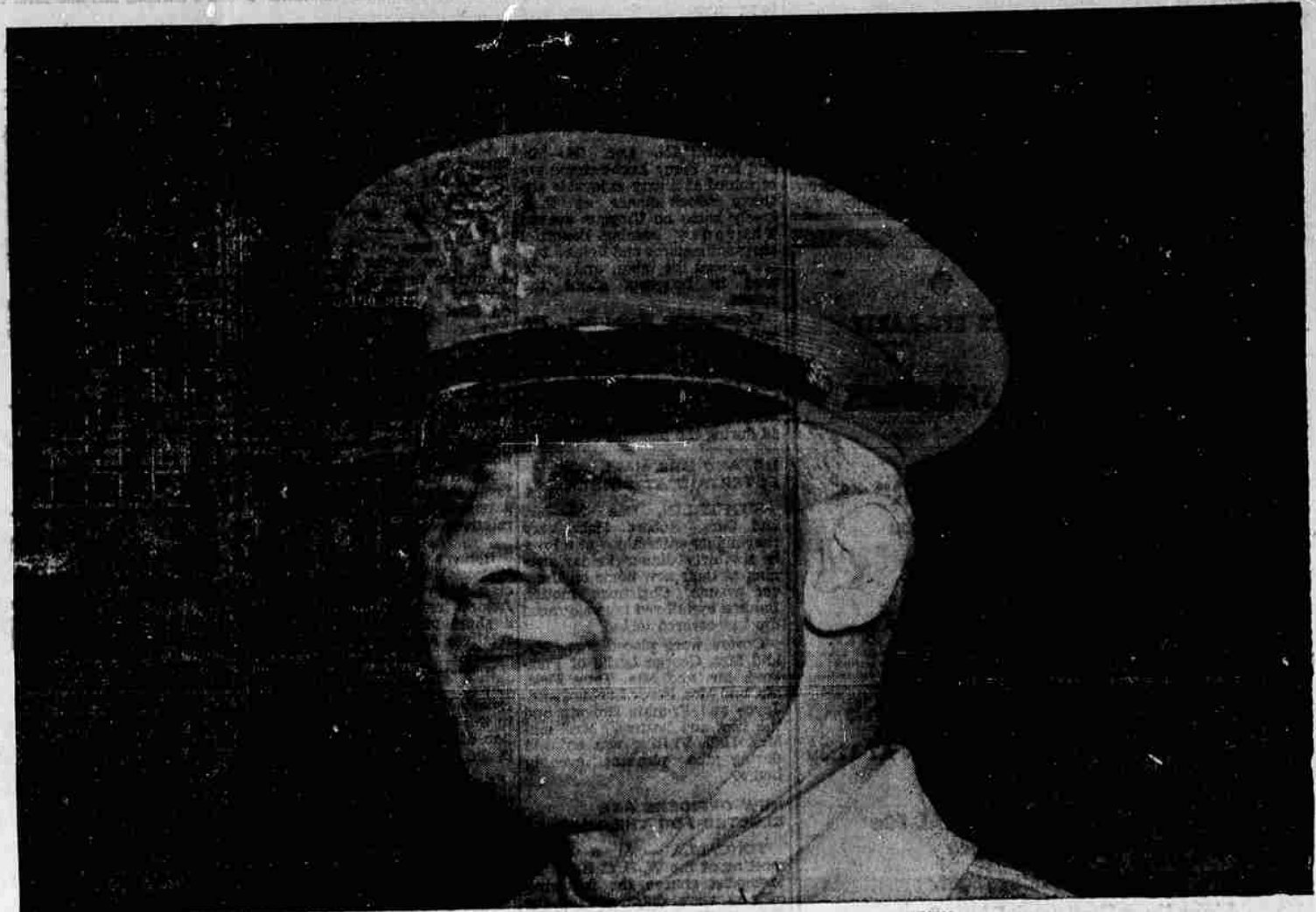
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Then Gen. Arnold went on:

He told how the Army Air Force and the RAF saved our men at Salerno. And how, in doing it, we had to scrape the bottom of the barrel. How we had to use every plane in North Africa—how we had to gather planes from every training center, depot and modification center to do the trick.

He said the Italian invasion "would have

been easier with more planes—and could not have been done with less."

He talked about the American raids on Germany. On one, 24 big Fortresses didn't come home. On another, 35. On another, 27. On another, 21. And since he talked, 60 bombers—and their gallant crews—went down in a single raid. No one can attempt to evaluate their loss in dollars or the loss to the enemy in destruction of war materials needed by him to carry on the war. But planes cost dollars to produce—millions of dollars.

Then he pointed again to the obvious fact that the Italian fight "is a small engagement compared to the gigantic expedition which one day, and we hope not too many months hence, will be set against continental Europe."

In short, if a fact was ever made crystal clear, Gen. Arnold made this one: *What we're doing now is good—BUT STILL NOT NEARLY ENOUGH!*

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