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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

DEAD quiet reigns at the Tulelake WRA center where some 18,000 persons of Japanese descent are interned.

Caucasian observers down there say that the older people, who are intensely loyal to Japan, appear to be stunned by the news of Nippon's surrender.

These people got the news as quickly as any of us—by radio, and through more than 3000 newspapers which circulate in the camp. From the moment the word came through of Hirohito's declaration of surrender, there has been a noticeable lack of activity or sound within the confines of the huge installation.

People there are probably having a hard time making themselves believe the bitter truth.



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No Immediate Closure

BUT the truth is, and one is led to speculation as to what will happen to this big lay-out set up in the relocation emergency early in the war and eventually used as the segregation center for Japanese loyal to Japan and disloyal to the U. S.

Ray Best, the director of the camp, says there is no chance it will be closed before June 30, 1946. The budget for the Tulelake center runs for the entire fiscal year ending at that time, whereas budgets for other WRA centers expire December 31. Mr. Best is certain the installation will function to the end of the fiscal year, either under WRA direction or under the department of justice.

There are approximately 18,000 persons interned there. Moving them out even after removal procedure has been adopted will take many weeks if not months.

Some of these people are eligible to leave now, if they wish to do so. There has been some increase in the outgoing movement among this class, but it is still small. One day this week, 84 applied for relocation, which to that time represented a new high.

Deportation Faces 8000

THERE are possibly 8000 persons in the Tule center who seem almost certain at this time to go eventually to Japan.

These are the people who have declared themselves definitely for the emperor. They are aliens who have renounced any interest in the welfare of the United States. Some may be sorry now, but they are classified in a group that seems certain to be sent back to the country they love.

Eventually, as WRA officials see it now, about half of the people at Tule will be relocated in this country, and about half will go on the westbound boats.

Delapidation

WHETHER any definite use will be made of the WRA center properties as they are now set up is uncertain, but their state of delapidation at this time certainly points to probable dismantling.

The buildings were put up in a hurry, and they have steadily deteriorated. Water and sewer equipment was none too good when it was installed, and it has gotten so bad that there is now a terrific maintenance problem on it.

So far as the WRA and colony section of the camp is concerned, there won't be a lot left for anything but salvage by June 30, 1946.

Camp Tulelake, the adjoining army installation, has better buildings and other equipment, and these might serve for a number of years. There has been only meagre community thinking about making some use of the "Jap camp" after its present function ends. At Tulelake and Alturas, we have heard some discussion of the possibility of turning it into an agricultural experiment station, a branch of the University of California. We believe some investigation has been started.

Unless some such plan is worked out for use of the facilities, the buildings will probably be torn down and sold as salvage and in a few years the Jap camp, once the scene of stirring incidents that drew nationwide attention, will be nothing but the farm land it was before the war.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 — A tendency to hold back demobilization to cushion the shock of reconversion has long been visible through Mr. Truman's actions or lack of them.

STATE BUTTER RATES HIGH ON VITAMIN A

CORVALLIS, Aug. 17 (AP)—Oregon butter averages 16,535 international units of vitamin A to a pound—compared to the national average of only 15,000 units.

Oregon state college experiment station reported today. Tests were made on creamery butter in different states by the department of agriculture. The amount of vitamin A in butter, said the department, depends di-

rectly on the amount of green pasture and good quality roughage eaten by the cow.

Farmers were urged to cure hay by methods that retain its green color. In changing color, hay loses its carotene, the substance from which vitamin A is derived.

If Emperor Hirohito of Japan dies or abdicates, he will be succeeded on the throne, under imperial house law, by his 11-year-old son, Prince Akhito Tsugu No Miya.

Meeting—The executive committee of the chamber of commerce will meet Friday at 4 p. m.

Thus his first peacetime announcement continued the draft for the youngest class, and contemplated a discharge plan spread over 12 to 18 months of only two-thirds of the war army, and an even more cautious relaxation of navy strength. Our obligations in occupations and peace-keeping are mentioned as the reason. The unsettled state of the world is another, although not mentioned. But these necessities fit snugly the developing balanced reconversion policy, which has not been defined or announced to the public in any official way. This is the heart of the Truman spending as shown in action—necessary spending in defense to prevent too many men from being thrown upon the dwindling employment market.

Some Theory

THE same theory is being pursued to the more limited extent possible, in cancellation of contracts. First announcement at the moment of peace concerned only \$6,000,000,000, of navy cutting mainly in ordnance. I suspect Mr. Truman resolved all doubts in favor of high budgets for the army during the latter days of the war for the same purpose—to keep the economic mills churning. In the future economies will be developed possibly with less swiftness than you might expect.

How long this tendency can be maintained in the face of contrary pressures—of troops to get free, and for setting the treasury in order (tax reduction?), remains to be seen. Certainly the government appears determined to go as slow as it can in dismantling the war budget.

Specific Policies

SO also with specific reconversion policies. For many months, the popular and undisputed public thought has run to the conclusion that the end must bring an economic shock, with widespread unemployment. Now the economists are beginning to inquire deeper into the matter, seeking to ascertain what particular types of workers and how many in which industries are being affected. They have found there is another balancing side of the picture which has not been explored or fully observed. Ordnance workers, for instance, are sure to go at once, and production will not be resumed. But all the other non-government industries will be different to some extent. In the two largest industries, motors and steel, the highest possible peacetime production will be developed as swiftly as possible. In those lines much unemployment will be temporary, and of a vacation type (if war bonds have been saved.) Certainly skilled workers in those lines will have a great field of postwar employment. As a sub-line, motor mechanics will be in demand in every garage in the country for an indefinite period, with all cars run down.

Shipbuilding Drop

SHIPBUILDING production, for another instance, will drop near zero, but the Kaiser plants on the Pacific coast, two months ago, had employment of less than 40 per cent of its war peak. The majority of workers knew what was coming and went back home for better jobs. Also Kaiser long since started to go into other fields, including motors, and his total peacetime employment may yet run as high as his wartime peak.

The large number of women workers who got into industry for the first time during the war, will find husbands or supporting relatives returning from the war, and may desire to return to their homes.

Core Of Trouble

THE core of the trouble, I think, will be found among the migrated unskilled or least skilled workers, particularly in ordnance centers. They came in droves to war manufacturing zones from consumer service jobs, small stores, restaurants, hotels, shops, farms and such work for jobs which offered more wage than they had ever dreamed of.

Certainly there exists a tremendous demand for this type of worker, back in his former endeavors, back in the shops and on the farms. Will they want to go, is the question which looms more important than the one being popularly asked, namely: Will they be able to find jobs?

Unless they do go back, and competitive labor standards are reestablished in the country, it will be impossible for the nation to regain its economic equilibrium. Some say a depression is the only thing which will cause them to go back. I do not believe this, but I believe the administration may find this one of its most difficult problems. Presumably it is waiting to see.

The immediate unfreezing of employment was undertaken also to see what will happen, where these workers will go, what then may be needed in the way of federal action.

Specific Problems

CERTAINLY the developing problems are particular rather than general, variously affecting different types of workers and industries, and this points again to the theme I have been stressing—specific remedies are needed rather than an overall spending program or similar tactics of the Roosevelt regime, which might create a disastrous economic effect, by encouraging the unemployed to avoid the jobs where peace so vitally needs them.

SIDE GLANCES



"We're so glad you've moved into the neighborhood—we'd like to have our little boy get used to playing nice with little girls!"

The War Today

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Just before Japan's inquiry about peace terms, the Tokyo radio was directing a barrage of name calling against the allies because of bombing—"barbaric," "savage," "inhuman" and what not.

The Jap spokesmen also were surprisingly "frank" in broadcasting (to world but not to the home public) the effects of that first historic atomic bomb on Hiroshima—how every living thing, both human and animal, was destroyed. It was calculated to make one's flesh creep—and certainly had considerable success.

Well, now, these charges of barbarism, backed by stories of wholesale slaughter of civilians, were intended for more than mere vituperation. Their purpose was to break down the determination of the allied peoples to carry the war through to utter destruction of Japan unless there was unconditional surrender. The Tokyo spokesman were trying to play on our emotions.

The best answer I know to all this is a little story, in which the central figure is Col. Paul Tibbets, of Miami, Fla., who piloted the B-29 carrying the atomic bomb to Hiroshima. It well illustrates the code of the American airman—of the allied airman, for that matter.

I ran into Tibbets back in October, 1942, in England when he was just getting under way on the distinguished career that has weighted down his chest with decorations.

I had a long talk with the young officer at his headquarters, and deliberately steered the conversation around to his reactions to the job of bombing. He told me that while he was waiting for his first raid he was sick over the thoughts of the civilians who might suffer from the bombs dropped by his machine.

"That feeling probably dates back to my training days," he remarked. "We had it hammered into us constantly that in practice we must watch out for the folks beneath us. This reaction persisted through my first three raids. Finally I got used to the idea, but I am cautious. When I look at a 2000-pound bomb in the bay of my ship I know a lot of people may get hurt. My anxiety is for the women and kids."

The colonel paused and his eyes sought the horizon. Then, hesitantly:

"You see I have a three-year-old boy of my own at home. I hate to think of him playing

near a bombed factory. That makes me careful."

A few days before that Tibbets had piloted his squadron in an attack on the great French industrial city of Lille, then in German hands. I asked him if he had any special impression during this raid.

"American Spirit," he replied. "This is the most heavily populated area we have attacked and our target was in the thick of it. I remember as we came above a great circle with a church beside it—which was the guide for our target—it came over me that if we missed the target we should hurt a lot of people. I gave the bombardier a heap of mental support to get his target. We don't want to hit anything but our target."

That sort of thing makes you proud of our fighting code. It does seem odd that fate should have selected Tibbets for the Hiroshima mission, although the city was an out-and-out military target. But maybe fate wasn't so crazy, at that, for Tibbets' ethics are a good answer to the Japanese charges of barbarism.

Klamath's Yesterdays

From the files—40 years ago and 10 years ago.

From the Evening Herald Aug. 17, 1935

Klamath people mourned the death of Will Rogers, famed humorist and philosopher, who died near Pt. Barrow, Alaska, in an airplane crash.

Rita Smith, who will become the bride of W. Charles Whisenant August 25, was complimented at a shower.

From the Klamath Republican Aug. 17, 1935

A "grand alfalfa ball" is to be given August 23 at Houston opera house. Floor managers will be Tom Kinney, Elmer Smith and Dan Lovelady.

A San Francisco report is that Frederick Weyerhaeuser, the big timber man of Minneapolis, is negotiating for a tract of land in northern California, which also includes the property of the Klamath Lake Railroad company now running to Pockegama.

WEATHER

Thursday, August 15, 1945	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Eugene	88	61	.00
Corvallis	84	57	.00
Sacramento	84	57	.00
North Bend	80	52	.00
Portland	82	51	.00
Reno	92	43	.00
San Francisco	87	46	Trace
Seattle	78	51	.00
Medford	94	55	.00
Red Bluff	97	66	.00

Oregon—Clear today and tonight except mostly cloudy on coast and northern portion, with few scattered thunderstorms over mountains, clearing Saturday afternoon. Cooler interior Saturday. Gentle northwest winds off coast, increasing Saturday.

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SEED EXCHANGE

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (To the Editor)—When kiddies tramp a hot August trail, they often sniff bay-laurel fragrance. The aroma fairly boils out in the hot sun. Our California laurel is cousin to Mexico's wild "alligator pear," or avocado. In Cuernavaca, where Lindbergh courted Anne Morrow, one listens at breakfast for the peon's bare feet pattering over the brick-tiled floor. He brings a whole tray of "alligator pears." Some are big, greenish-skinned. Others, small and brown, he calls "chicos." Color-bejeweled hummingbirds flash in the sunlight slanting into its patio. These sip the nectar of tropical flowers, bright as themselves.

Cousin to our California trail-side tree, Formosa's camphor laurel, common in our parks, is used also in Californian street-forestry. Watch one next winter when in fruit. The resemblance to both avocado and to our native laurel fruit will be noticeable.

The California bay laurel yields a useful hardwood. One packer of California figs uses its leaves to give his dried fruits a pleasant flavor. This is much as the leaf of the Jamaica bay laurel, a third cousin, is used in many kitchens.

The hoarding instinct, which all children have, may be well guided into fresh-air tramps to collect seeds and fruits. Such comparisons as of the fruits and

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Radio Programs

KFJ Mutual-Don Lee 1240 kc.

Friday Evening, Aug. 17, 1945

6:00 Gabriel Healy News	8:00 Boxing Highlights
6:15 Jim Dwyer News	9:00 Glenn Hardy News
6:30 W. W. Light News	9:15 Wrestling Matches
7:00 W. W. Light News	9:30 Wrestling Opportunity
7:15 Jim Dwyer News	10:00 Wrestling News Round-Up
7:30 Len Ranganer News	

Saturday, Aug. 18, 1945

6:15 Pat M. Bell News	12:00 Melinda Melinda
7:00 Frank Hemm News	12:15 H. A. Allen News
7:15 Pat M. Bell News	12:30 Yearly Drama
7:30 H. A. Allen News	12:45 Farm Front
7:45 Pat M. Bell News	1:00 Memo for Tomorrow
8:00 Favorites of Yesterday	1:15 Hawaiian News
8:15 Morning Melodies	1:30 W. W. Light News
8:30 News Flash	2:00 Hand Concert
9:00 Hello Main	2:15 D. A. C. News
9:15 Variety Revue	2:30 O. P. News
9:45 Song Time	3:00 H. A. Allen News
10:00 Glenn Hardy News	3:15 Hawaii Calls
10:15 Pat M. Bell News	4:00 Music for Remembrance
10:30 W. W. Light News	4:15 Local News
10:45 T. M. News for Today	4:30 Klamath Theatre Time
11:00 Memo for Tomorrow	5:00 N. W. Allen News
11:15 Calendar	5:15 Century Page
11:30 News	5:30 Western Bay
11:45 Instrumental Ballade	6:15 H. A. Allen News

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh



Best Way to Celebrate The Peace

We were sitting on Bill Webster's porch the other night, talking about how we'd celebrate when the Japs surrendered. Lem Toller allowed as how he was going to start his vacation then and there—and spend it fishing. Ed Mapes was going to take his family to Mountain City for a big feed and a picture show.

celebrating's going to go. I'm going to make sure of being on the job next morning."

From where I sit, Bill Webster has the right idea. When Peace comes, there's going to be a whole new world to build. There's a really big job to be done. A glass of beer, the beverage of moderation, and a good night's sleep to be ready for the task ahead—that's the right way to welcome Victory!

Joe Marsh

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