

Tulelake WRA Camp Will Be Only One Open In U.S. After Midnight Saturday

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 SHINGTON, March 7 (AP)—The four remaining war camps will be closed tonight Saturday. At that time, the camp at Tulelake, Calif., the northern California, will remain in the hands of the military agency created by the war's management to handle the Japanese-American and Japanese-American-Pacific coast states army order. Tulelake camp, WRA District 1, will be closed about 11:30 p. m., he said. It now houses, he said, 400 or 500 Japanese, compared with a peak population of 1,000 in 1943. The camp, being closed are camps at Manzanar, Calif., Ariz., and Gila, Ariz. Only two or three employees will be left at Tulelake by Saturday night, he said. Demonstration Tulelake camp, which has been used to house an unruly group of evacuees, was the scene of a demonstration by officials in 1943. It was to segregate evacuees from the Japanese. Myers said at the time it was not a place where we put a lot of dangerous people, it is a place where we put people who wanted to be free. About 110,000 Japanese-Americans and Japanese nationals were under supervision in the camps and were disposed of in 1946. As the war progressed, many Japanese-American soldiers found work outside the camps. When the war ended, the evacuees were returned to their former homes on the coast. Some 4000 were deported to Japan. Myers said, are checked by the justice department which will determine their final disposition.

No Surplus Ships Moored

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7 (AP)—The first two surplus ships to be moored as a reserve surplus fleet tied up in the Willamette river today at their permanent moorings. The two Liberty ships were along the east bank of the river. Capt. E. E. Thorne, superintendent of the fleet, said 300 surplus vessels will eventually be moored in the Willamette and Columbia river anchorages. Hayden Island, reported a proposed site of the two had been abandoned after it was protested it would conflict with log storage facilities.

Telling The Editor

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ARE WE REALISTIC

COLUMBUS, Ohio, (The Editor)—From your column of February 14 I quote: "It is just possible that here in our American west these new overlordships that we term VALLEY AUTHORITIES might be better for us from the standpoint of MATERIAL prosperity than our present system. "But a lot of westerners are AFRAID of them, saying presently to themselves, 'We'd rather get along with LESS and run our own show.' " While, if we omit the word 'overlordship,' the first paragraph of this quotation undoubtedly is true, permit me to doubt if any INFORMED westerner is afraid that we will have LESS control over our economic destiny than we have now, for the EXACT CONTRARY is so evidently true. Under the CVA as now proposed by Senator Mitchell the people of the northwest would be free from remotely controlled BUREAUCRACY and from remotely controlled FINANCIAL OVERLORDSHIP and in lieu thereof enter into a HOME RULED real CO-PARTNERSHIP composed of our citizens, our state and the federal government. (How anyone in Oregon, particularly in Klamath county, can think we are "running our own

show" NOW is a mystery to me. Ask the taxing bodies, the irrigation boards, the county court, to what extent we control our resources NOW.) This alleged western 'fear' contrasts remarkably with a much more realistic and sensible fear being expressed here. For instance: At a recent meeting of the Ohio Planning conference held here when author-farmer Louis Bromfield congratulated Ohio on its well-balanced industrial-agricultural economy, Dan O. Taber, executive secretary of the Ohio development commission, hastily arose and said that "Ohio is now facing an EMERGENCY" because "the economic and industrial map of the United States is undergoing a decided change." Taber was afraid, his fear being that because the west is about to TAKE OVER control of its own economic destiny through the valley authorities, because of "the cheap power" produced by the "great dams" built and to be built, furnished at cost to citizens and industries, because western "water transportation is making quiet headway" and "because of the recent ICC freight rate decision" he expected the south (TVA) and the west to "continue their remarkable industrial gains" so recently made which would react detrimentally to industrial production here and in the northwest generally. Taber apparently does not know that for some of us our appreciation of the spiritual boon of freedom from overlordship exceeds our desire for material gain and has never heard of paid power propagandist Carr of Colorado, or of the scholarly editor of the Bend Bulletin, or of the National Reclamation association, but thinks we are all aware of the great industrial future

now opened to us by the valley authorities and all working ardently for them, for he warns that "\$5,000,000 has been raised by 11 western states for so-called research, which is unquestionably synonymous with promotion" and that "the north-west trade association is operating with a promotional fund of \$1,900,000." I wish we were as realistically acute as Taber thinks we are; and I hope he doesn't learn that promotional funds are raised in the northwest to RETARD regional development for the benefit of private monopoly and for general bureaucracy, for I am sure he would wish to contribute to them.

A. M. THOMAS.

Farmers Union Head Attends Convention

SALEM, March 7 (AP)—Ronald Jones, Brooks, president of the State Farmers union, is in Topeka, Kansas, attending the National Farmers union convention. State Rep. Lyle Thomas, Dallas, field man and organizer for the State Farmers union, has been named to the advisory committee of the national rivers and harbors congress.

Hawaii lies about 2100 miles southwest of San Francisco and approximately 3400 miles east of Yokohama.

Chinese Guns Open Fire On French Fleet

SAIGON, Indo-China, March 7 (AP)—Chinese artillerymen who opened fire on a French naval and troop force off Haiphong harbor yesterday killed at least 10 soldiers and severely damaged the French light cruiser Triomphant, the French said today.

The cruisers Triomphant and Emile Bertin and escorting craft were standing off Haiphong, port of Hanoi, the Indo-China capital, with 20,000 troops prepared to take over occupation from Chinese forces. The French said the Triomphant was hit in four places, and two landing craft were set afire by the Chinese fire. The Triomphant withheld her fire for 40 minutes but finally opened up on the Chinese infantrymen with her five-inch guns, the French statement said. The French then withdrew. Liaison was sought with Chinese authorities ashore.

Technical Difficulties (Chinese dispatches from Chungking said the exchange was due to "technical difficulties" and that French occupa-

tion of the port had been delayed until Thursday) Unconfirmed reports said the French landings were finally carried out at dawn today. The French fleet was approaching Haiphong to relieve Chinese occupation forces north of the 16th parallel in conformance with a Chinese-French agreement of several days ago. Hanoi is the seat of the Viet Nam, unrecognized government of Annamite nationalists headed by Ho Chi-minh, with whom the French have been negotiating for restoration of French control.

A new method which permits X-ray photography on special 35 mm. film reduces costs in taking chest pictures from one dollar per exposure to less than one cent.

State Police Nab Traffic Violators

SALEM, March 7 (AP)—State police during January arrested 2729 persons and warned 4839 others for violating motor vehicle laws, fines and sentences totaling \$13,488 and 1381 days in jail. There were 278 arrests for violating criminal laws.

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