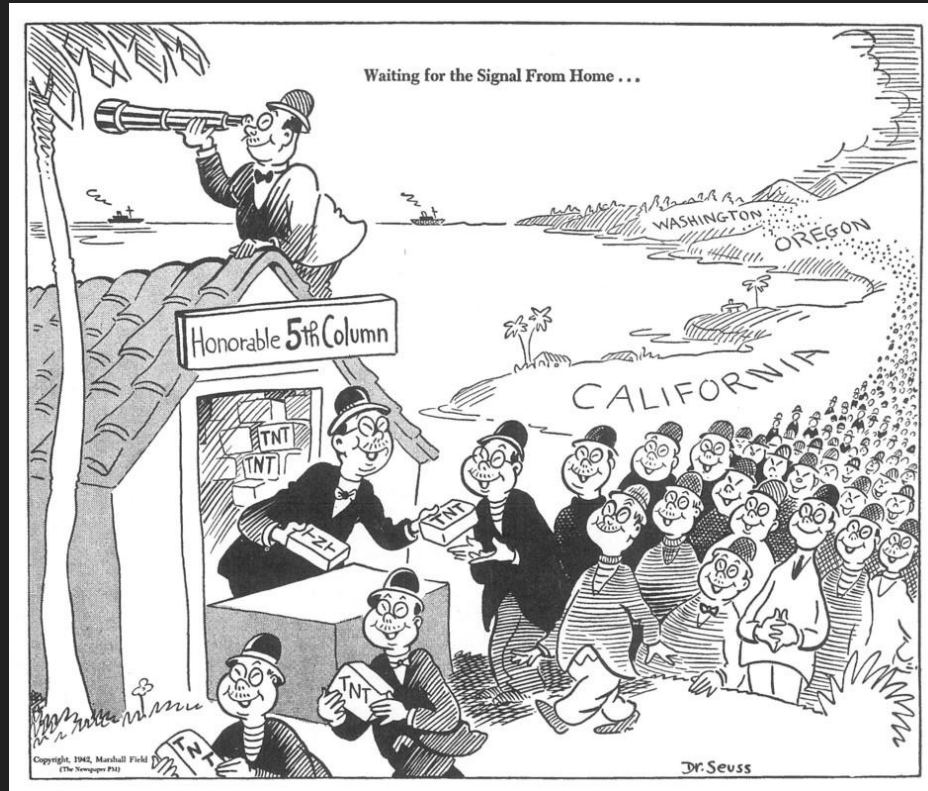


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Japanese 'Fifth Column' in Hawaii Proven Myth

Manzanar Director Nash Denies Ford's Charges in Washington

Reveals Owens Valley People Petitioned for Evacuees' Business

MANZANAR — Director Roy Nash of the War Relocation Authority's Manzanar center has issued a flat denial of the statement issued in Washington last week by Rep. Leland M. Ford, Republican of California, who claimed that the "internees" were being afforded dangerous freedom of movement.

Nash said that "everything is under control."

Nash denied:

1. That Japanese are allowed to leave the center unescorted by supervisors.
2. That Owens Valley residents have threatened violence to the evacuees. (Rep. Ford said that there would be a "lot of dead Japs around" if the American citizens at Manzanar were allowed to vote in county elections.)

Nash declared that all working parties leaving the center for fields and orchards are accompanied by white workmen who act as supervisors and guards.

As for the report of threatened violence, the Manzanar director said that the best proof to the contrary is that fifteen leading Owens Valley merchants sent a petition to Lt. Gen. DeWitt, commander of the Western Defense, asking that Japanese be permitted to leave Manzanar at regular intervals by bus for Lone Pine to visit stores and other retail establishments.

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Legion Convention Approves Native Sons' Attack on U. S. Nisei

SACRAMENTO—The Sixth District of the American Legion at a convention Sunday approved the action of the Native Sons of the Golden West in endeavoring to bring about legislation for post-war removal to Japan of all Japanese in the United States.

The approval was voted in a resolution adopted by the 500 delegates attending.

Rep. Ford Fears For Race Strife In Owens Valley

Reps Student Relocation, Freedom for Evacuees At Manzanar Center

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Representative Leland M. Ford, R., California, declared in a statement made public in Washington last week that Japanese in the evacuation center at Manzanar, Calif., should not be "turned loose where they could sabotage or destroy either the power lines or water systems of Los Angeles."

Ford, who is chairman of the Japanese evacuation subcommittee of the Pacific Coast delegation, also asked Dillon S. Myers, director of the War Relocation Authority, to hold up plans for releasing Japanese students from evacuation centers to finish their studies.

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Noted War Writer Finds Rumors Of Sabotage Unfounded; Says Nisei Good American Citizens

Robert Casey Believes American-Born Japanese May Be Leaders in Post-War Movement to Bring People of Race Into Democratic Life

Fantastic stories of wholesale sabotage by resident Japanese in Hawaii on December 7—which were generally circulated in America in the weeks following the Japanese "stab in the back" on Pearl Harbor—have no basis of truth, according to a report, filed by Robert J. Casey of the Chicago Daily News foreign service, and appearing in many newspapers throughout the nation this week.

Casey, a veteran war correspondent for the Chicago Daily News, the newspaper published by Secretary of Navy Frank Knox, reports that stories of an active Japanese fifth-column in Hawaii were mostly based on unfounded rumors.

He also notes in his report, one of a series on the Battle of Midway, that a large percentage of "the Hawaiian Nisei (American-born Japanese) are really good American citizens" and that there is a belief among men qualified to know that "these Japs will be leaders after the war in a movement to bring people of their race into an American way of life and to destroy their ties to an alien tradition."

Casey was a captain in the Field Artillery in the First World War and has filed dispatches from several fronts in this war. His articles have included vivid descriptions of the fall of France, the battle of Britain and the desert war in Africa. He recently published a book on his recent experiences.

Nisei Charges 'Detention' in Center Illegal

Two Cases Testing Evacuation Legality Heard in Federal Courts

SAN FRANCISCO — Constitutionalality of Japanese exclusion and relocation procedures were attacked in Federal courts in San Francisco and Seattle Monday.

The action in San Francisco was inconclusive, Judge Michael J. Roche reserving decision for fifteen days on a petition for writ of habeas corpus sought by Mitsuye Endo, 22, American-born Japanese of Sacramento.

In Seattle, however, Judge Lloyd Black said he would rule the pro-



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