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Media Center: Raley's Fact Sheet

- 1935 Thomas P. Raley opens his first Raley's Market in Placerville, CA. He levels an empty lot next door, then advertises his store as "the nation's first drive-in market."
- 1942 The Placerville store is destroyed by fire. Tom Raley opens stores in Sacramento, CA.
- 1947 Tom Raley opens nation's first self-service meat counter stocked with pre-packaged meat.
- 1973 Tom Raley "tears down the walls" between supermarkets and drug stores, creating his first "Superstore."
- 1973 Raley's acquires Eagle Thrifty chain in Nevada.
- 1981 Mid-Valley Dairy, a fluid milk-processing plant, opens in Fairfield, CA as a joint venture between the Raley's, Bel Air and Save Mart chains.
- 1984 Raley's headquarters opens in West Sacramento, CA.
- 1985 Joyce Raley Teel, Tom Raley's only child, officially joins Raley's organization as Director of Community Relations.
- 1986 Food For Families, a non-profit organization, is established to help feed the hungry.
- 1988 Mid-Valley Dairy opens second operation in Turlock, CA to process ice cream and yogurt.
- 1989 Ozark Trucking, a family-owned subsidiary of Raley's, is established.
- 1989 Super Store Industries (SSI) is established in Stockton, CA to manage distribution of dry groceries, frozen foods and dairy products.
- 1991 Joyce Raley Teel and her husband, James E. Teel, become Co-Chairmen of Raley's Board of Directors.
- 1991 WestPac, a dry grocery distribution center, opens in Lathrop, CA, a joint venture with Raley's, Bel Air Markets and Save Mart.
- 1991 December 27, Tom Raley dies. Joyce Raley Teel becomes Raley's sole owner.
- 1992 Raley's purchases the Bel Air chain.
- 1992 Raley's opens a Distribution Center in North Natomas.
- 1994 The first Food Source, a warehouse-format store, opens in Folsom, CA.
- 1997 Raley's launches the first fleet of Liquefied Natural Gas-powered trucks in the nation.
- 1998 Raley's purchases the Nob Hill Foods chain.
- 2003 The Raley's store in Benicia, CA is the first to offer e-cart, Raley's exclusive online shopping service.
- 2004 Raley's opens its first Aisle 1, a full-service fuel station, in Galt, CA.
- 2008 Raley's becomes the first retailer in California to use new truck filter system and operate the cleanest burning Class 8 Diesel Truck Fleet in the world used in day to day operation.
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Corporate Information:

- Joyce Raley Teel is sole owner of Raley's.
- Jim and Joyce Raley Teel are Co-Chairmen of Raley's Board of Directors.
- Michael Teel, grandson of Raley's founder, Tom Raley, leads the chain as President & CEO.
- Joyce Raley Teel is named fifth in nation among women business owners by Working Woman and Forbes magazines.
- Raley's corporate office is located in West Sacramento, CA.

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Placerville Fire Perils Business Section Of Town

PLACERVILLE (El Dorado Co.), May 25.—Two warehouses, a drive in market and the Camino Truck Service building were destroyed in a fire discovered at 1 A. M. today. The blaze continued until after dawn.

Acting Fire Chief Myron Miller said the loss probably is between \$75,000 and \$80,000.

Explosion Was Heard

The alarm was turned in by Cecil Hendrick, night shift worker in a tire repair shop, who said he heard an explosion. The fire then was in a warehouse on Canal Street connected to the Raley's Drive in Market, 113 Main Street, by a bridge over Hangtown Creek.

Hendrick said the fire leaped a four foot alley to the Globe Mills Warehouse, 27 Canal Street, and to the Camino Truck Service plant at 43 Canal Street. It soon spread to the market.

Stocks Are Destroyed

Large stocks of feed, grain and farm and garden equipment were destroyed. Turpentine and oil explosions fed the flames and periled nearby business and residential property in the west entrance area of the city. Some meat was salvaged from the refrigerators of the market but grocery stocks were lost.

Raley said he plans to open temporary quarters as soon as possible. The building belonged to J. W. Lee, who is absent from the city. Jess T. Leitberger and G. W. Melby owned the Camino Truck Service building.

The buildings were of wooden frame and sheet metal construction.

Reporter Says Loyal Americans Among 14,000 Japanese At Tulelake Camp Suffer In Morale Through Taunts Of Issei, Kibei

(Editor's Note: A year ago this week the largest single Japanese relocation center in the nation was opened at Tulelake, Calif. An Associated Press reporter was assigned to report on its development since.)

By WENDELL WEBB

TULELAKE (Siskiyou Co.), May 25.—More than 100,000 Japanese and Japanese-Americans acquired a severe case of claustrophobia and nostalgia a year or so ago, and so far as could be determined by a visit to this relocation center they have not been cured. Most of them want to go home.

There are about 14,000 of them confined to this 7,000-acre tract on the lake bottom lands of Northern California.

They are growing potatoes, grain and truck garden crops; raising hogs and chickens; running their own cooperative stores and shops; going to school; getting married; having babies.

Another 90,000 are on nine other relocation centers in California, Arizona, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and Arkansas.

Subject Of Controversy

They have become the subject of national controversy—whether they are pampered—disloyalists—receiving food and care at the expense of the public at large, or whether they are being discriminated against in direct violation of their rights.

It was difficult at times during a two day visit to the camp to reconcile some of the eager, questioning youngsters with their kinfolk of the Far East who have tortured and killed American boys in the jungles of New Guinea and Guadalcanal, and who sent machine gun bullets blazing all around me in the bloody Battle of Midway. At other times it was not so difficult.

Two thirds of those here are American citizens—the nisei, born and educated here, and the kibei, born here but educated in Japan. The other third are issei—Japanese born and still citizens of that country.

Nisei Are Taunted

Some of the issei are too mentally rooted in Japan to turn against their native land in time of stress. Some of the kibei have shown they might well be watched. The nisei, apparently largely loyal to America as the only land they have known, have suffered in morale by the taunts of some who ask what their American citizenship is gaining for them.

There seem to be two questions uppermost in the minds of all: "Why are those of us that are American citizens confined away from our homes while persons of German and Italian ancestry remain at large?" and "what is going to happen to us?"

Gradually, the latter question is clarifying for the loyal ones.

Around 1,400 of the evacuees at this center have been resettled into jobs in the interior of the United States. Many others have asked to leave and are being investigated with that possibility in mind.

Here Is How They Live

The evacuees live in army type barracks, one family to a room. They don't have to work to eat, but the able bodied must work to get the \$12 to \$19 set as the monthly range of pay for everyone from laborers to doctors.

It costs 38 cents a day to feed each one. There is a central mess hall, manned by evacuees, for each block of 14 barracks. I ate both with the evacuees and at the mess hall which feeds the 200 Caucasians employed as administrative personnel and in the schools. The Caucasians had superior food. They

pay for it from their salaries, around 40 cents a meal.

Six Caucasians and 150 evacuees do the policing. The army patrols the project boundaries.

Crimes have been few. There have been strikes—for better food; for shoes, now issued on the basis of proven individual need; for shorter hours for coal unloaders. The results: A project steward left; farmers and coal unloaders got shoes; coal unloaders had their work week cut to 44 hours.

Army Was Called Once

The army was called into the project center once—when several score evacuees held a demonstration protesting the necessity of answering a job questionnaire as to whether they would forswear allegiance to Japan. They said such action would leave the aliens without any country at all.

The American-Japanese evinced considerable fear that the slaying of American pilots in Japan had blighted their own futures in the United States.

There was something strangely anomalous yet hopeful in the comment of a Japanese-American farm laborer who watched a tractor being refueled and saw gasoline trickling to the ground.

He said:

"Hell, man, don't waste gas. Don't you know there's a war on?"

Disease Is Menace

A new aspect to the problem of the Japanese evacuees—the possible permanence of tuberculosis sanatoriums—presented itself during the visit to this largest single relocation project in the nation.

In the 225 bed hospital are 58 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis. In barracks constituting an insolation ward are another 60 or so arrested cases under observation.

And the situation is not unlike that at the nine other relocation centers now operating in California, Arizona, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho and Arkansas.

Some Are Doomed

Some of the advanced cases of pulmonary tuberculosis here never will leave the place alive. Others will need prolonged care.

(Another 300 persons of Japanese ancestry having the disease have been given evacuation deferments and are staying at public and private hospitals in the Western De-

visit Fresno to get more books and surgical instruments he left there.

Dr. Pedicord, who described himself as "too old for a commission," said he was satisfied to leave his practice and \$42,000 home in Wheeling as long as he was being of service in the job he was asked to accept.

Most persons who die here are cremated or buried at their former homes.

There is a little sand plot set aside as a cemetery. In it are only four little mounds—the graves of four babies. One grave has a neat wooden fence, the others are marked by artificial flowers.

Lewis Files, River Figure, Is Deceased

Word of the death of Lewis Files, former chief steward of the River Lines Delta King, operating between Sacramento and San Francisco, in the Highlands Hospital, Oakland, has been received here.

Files was one of the best known figures on the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers, serving more than 30 years on some of the famous boats of the two streams, including the Isleton, J. D. Peters, Capital City, Fort Sutter and the Captain Weber, which burned at her dock late Saturday.

Death followed the amputation of a leg three weeks ago. He leaves his wife, Alice, in Oakland.

Mineral Society Will Hear Lecture On Jade

Dr. Austin F. Rogers, geologist and mineralogist at Stanford University, will present a lecture on jade at 8 P. M. Friday at a meeting of the Sacramento Mineral Society in the Clunie Memorial Clubhouse.

Colored slides of jade will be shown. D. A. Cannon, president, will preside.

BOY, GIRL ARE HELD

Donna Lester, 17, and James Rennalds, 17, both of Stockton, San Joaquin County, were arrested by members of the Sacramento County sheriff's office last night as delinquent children. The sheriff's office said they ran away from their homes.

Congress Po Vacancy Is For Discu

AUBURN (Placer Co.), Paul Claiborne, chairman Placer County Republican Central Committee, has committee chairmen from ties in the second congress district to meet in Auburn afternoon to consider the caused by the death of man Harry L. Englebright.

Claiborne said the invite issued after consulting the chairman of Placer, N. Dorado and Sierra County.

He stated many citizens in 18 counties appear to be in contesting for the position of Governor Earl Warren in a special election to fill the vacancy.

The meeting will be held at the Hotel Auburn.

Mrs. Englebright Is Seen As Candidate

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Representative Martin, former of Massachusetts, minority of the house, said he was there is a "strong possibility" Harry Lane Englebright, the late representative of California, may be a congressional vacancy caused by her husband's death.

Governor Earl Warren of California has said he plans to call an election to fill the vacancy. Englebright, who died in the Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., May 13th.

House Will Honor Buck, Englebright

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The house will pay for a memorial service for three of its deceased members, Frank Henry Buck and Englebright of California and Philip Allen Bennett of California. Buck died September 1941, Englebright May 13, 1943 and Bennett December 7, 1942.

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