

23 June 1943

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Concerning American Soldiers of the Japanese race.

Reference is made to your informal action sheet of 19 June, file: AG 032.2 Holifield, Chet (17 June 43)OB-C.

The Administrative Assistant, Office of the Secretary of War, has changed the action slip on this paper from "Necessary action and preparation of reply for signature of Administrative Assistant" to "Direct reply". Under this change this office will make direct reply to Mr. Holifield.

In order that necessary information may be obtained to accomplish the action it is requested that this office be given the information on the following points:

- a. The approximate number of Japanese American soldiers now serving in the Army.
- b. The number of Japanese American soldiers recruited
  - (1) In the continental United States
  - (2) Hawaiian and other insular possessions.
- c. The number of Japanese American soldiers who have been released from the armed services, with a statement as to the reason for their release.

This office has conducted an informal conference with Mr. Holifield on this subject and other matters pertaining to the request in Mr. Holifield's letter. This information, being of a confidential nature, will be handled in a personal interview.

(SIGNED)

WILLIAM P. SCOBEEY  
Colonel, General Staff  
Executive to Ass't Secretary of War

*Casew. WPs: M&H.*

STATISTICS ON FORMS EXECUTED BY MALE AMERICAN CITIZENS

Relocation Center	Number Registered	Number Answering "No" to Loyalty Question	Number Volunteers
5. Heart Mountain	1881	451	42 - 47 - 7
3. Gila River	2438	547	100 - 119 -
9. Rohwer	1585	792 * 300	29 - 37 -
1. Central Utah	2420 1475	806	100 - 116 -
8. Minidoka	1607	32	294 - 310 -
2. Colorado River	3356	671	215 - 238 -
10. Tule Lake	2964 1014 2342	936 * 71 *	54 - 59 -
4. Granada	1331	109	108 - 121 -
7. Manzanar	1826	913 *	100 - 101 -
6. Jerome	1341	670 * 110	22 - 33 -
Total	18849	5162	1064

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\* Estimates only, based on preliminary computations.

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TENTATIVE STATISTICS ON FORMS EXECUTED BY MALE AMERICAN CITIZENS

Vol.	Relocation Center	Number Registered		Answer to the Loyalty Question (No. 28)				As of	
				Yes	Qualified Yes	No	Qualified No		Refused to answer
42	Heart Mountain	1881 1646	9690	1467	82	451 415	33	19	3/12/43
76 <sup>90</sup> 100	Gila River	2488 1088	7890	1087	1				3/15/43
	✓ Rohwer	85 1578	5091	1243	175	347 772 160	-	-	
100	Central Utah	1455 2420	67	1607	46	487 767	-	-	
277 <sup>294</sup>	Minidoka	1607	9890			32			
210 <sup>215</sup> 213	Colorado River	36 1648	8093	1027	1	772 671 513	-	107	3/19/43
54	✓ Tule Lake	1014		840	2	171	-	1	6-7
108	Granada	1331		1222	-	109	-	-	
95 <sup>100</sup>	Manzanar	1834 1893	58	956	-	913 933	-	4	
22	Jerome	1241 894	508	737	865 57	620 41	-	59	
1013 <sup>1098</sup>	TOTAL	15119 16796		10186	364	3109 3191	33	190	

Total No. Registered . . . . . 15119 16796  
 Total Unqualified Affirmative Answers . . . . . 10186  
 Total Negative or Qualified Answers . . . . . 3323 3696  
 Percentage of Negative Answers to Total Registration .. 24.45% 22.01

STATISTICS ON FORMS EXECUTED BY MALE AMERICAN CITIZENS

<u>Relocation Center</u>	<u>Number Registered</u>	<u>Number Answering "No" to Loyalty Question</u>	<u>Number Volunteers</u>
Central Utah	2420	806	116
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Gila River	2488	547	119
Granada	1117	117	121
Heart Mountain	1881	451	47
Jerome	1341	110*	33
Manzanar	1826	913	101
Minidoka	1607	32	310
Rohwer	1585	300*	37
Tule Lake	<u>2342</u>	<u>836*</u>	<u>59</u>
Total	19963	4783	1181

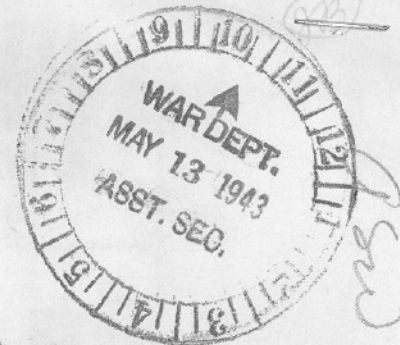
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April 8, 1943.

Compiled by GLH.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON



MAY 10 1943

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Captain John M. Hall
Office of Assistant Secretary of War
Room 4E - 886
Pentagon Building
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Captain Hall:

Shortly after the registration in relocation centers, I promised to send you certain analyses of the results as soon as we could get them completed.

We now have arrived at results which are substantially final, and I am accordingly enclosing three tables for your information as follows:

- Table 1. "Responses to Question 28 Form 304A, by Relocation Centers: Male Citizens of Japanese Ancestry, 17 Years of Age and Over."
Table 2. "Responses to Question 28 Form 126 Revised, by Relocation Centers: Female Citizens of Japanese Ancestry, Male and Female Japanese Aliens, 17 Years of Age and Over."
Table 3. "Comparison of "Yes" and "No" Answers to Question 28 Form 304A & 126 Revised with Respect to Six Factors: Male and Female Citizens of Japanese Ancestry, 17 Years of Age and Over."

It is to be noted that the total number of forms represented in Table 3 does not always equal the total number of registrants. This arises as a result of the difficulty in getting a complete analysis on all of the schedules, particularly the Form 304A's.

I hope you will find this information of some value and if you have questions concerning any items in these tables, I would be very glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely yours,

Handwritten signature of B. R. Stauber

B. R. Stauber
Relocation Planning Officer



Enclosures - 3

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Table 1

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
 RESPONSES TO QUESTION 28 (Form 304A) BY RELOCATION CENTERS  
 Male Citizens of Japanese Ancestry, 17 Years of Age and Older  
 May 1, 1943

Relocation Center	Total Eligible	Total Registered	Total Accounted For	Yes	Non Affirmative Answers	No Reply	Yes	Non Affirmative Answers	No Reply
	To Register Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Central Hawaii <sup>1/</sup>	163	163	163	25	138	0	15.3	84.7	0.0
Utah U. S.	1477	1477	1477	1015	462	0	68.7	31.3	0.0
Colorado									
Kearney	3405	3405	3211 <sup>2/</sup>	2601	596	14	81.0	18.6	0.4
Gila River	2630	2588	2502	1599	901	2	63.9	36.0	0.1
Granada	1342	1342	1254 <sup>2/</sup>	1222	27	5	97.4	2.2	0.4
Heart Mountain	1964	1963	1963	1609	253	101	82.0	12.9	5.1
Jerome	1592	1591	1385 <sup>3/</sup>	895	417	73	64.6	30.1	5.3
Manzanar	1909	1909	1885	921	960	4	48.9	50.9	0.2
Minidoka	1629	1603	1580	1497	61	22	94.7	3.9	1.4
Rohwer	1608	1608	1410 <sup>4/</sup>	1150	252	8	81.5	17.9	0.6
Tule									
Florence	2960	2330 <sup>5/</sup>	2274 <sup>2/</sup>	1489	783	2	65.5	34.4	0.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,679</b>	<b>19,979</b>	<b>19,104</b>	<b>14,023</b>	<b>4,850</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>1.2</b>

1/ Includes a few qualified yes answers.

2/ These figures are obtained from tallies made in the Washington Office.

3/ Includes approximately 380 male citizens from Hawaii; a tally of 105 Hawaiians made in Washington indicated 33 yes answers (31.47%); if we estimate that the same percentage of the entire group answered yes, then approximately 250 of the non-affirmative and no reply responses are found in the small Hawaiian group of 380.

4/ Of this total, 1263 were tallied at the center and the results received in a letter; 147 were tallied in the Washington Office.

5/ This total was obtained from a report on the Tule Lake registration by John D. Cooke, Reports Officer.

Source: All figures, excluding footnoted exceptions were obtained from letters or wires sent from the Relocation Centers to the Washington Office.

Table 2

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
 RESPONSES TO QUESTION 28(126 Rev.) BY RELOCATION CENTERS  
 Female Citizens of Japanese Ancestry, Male and Female Japanese Aliens\*, 17 years of age and older  
 May 1, 1943

Relocation Center	Sex & Nativity	Total Elig. to Regis.	Total Registered	Forms Accts. For	Yes	Yes Qual.	No	No Qual.	No Reply	Yes	Yes Qual.	No	No Qual.	No Reply
		No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Central Utah	Male Alien	1733	1733	1594	1584	4	4	0	2	99.3	.3	.3	0	.1
	Fem. Alien	1200	1200	1200	1184	9	5	0	2	98.7	.8	.4	0	.2
	Female Cit.	1444	1444	1177	683	111	143	131	109	58.0	9.4	12.1	11.1	9.3
Colorado River	Male Alien	3455	3455	3455	3429	0	11	0	15	99.2	0	.3	0	.4
	Fem. Alien	2400	2400	2364	2348	0	7	0	9	99.3	0	.3	0	.4
	Female Cit.	3168	3168	3168	3002	0	130	0	36	94.8	0	4.1	0	1.1
Gila River	Male Alien	2751	2750	2750	2748	0	2	0	0	99.9	0	.1	0	0
	Fem. Alien	1881	1877	1877	1874	0	0	0	3	99.9	0	0	0	.1
	Female Cit.	2394	2394	2394	2150	0	243	0	1	89.8	0	10.1	0	.1
Granada	Male Alien	1236	1236	860	857	0	2	0	1	99.7	0	.2	0	.1
	Female Al.	887	887	621	619	0	0	0	2	99.7	0	0	0	.3
	Female Cit.	1311	1311	868	856	0	1	0	11	98.6	0	.1	0	1.3
Heart Mountain	Male Alien	2269	2269	2269	2244	0	8	0	17	98.9	0	.3	0	.8
	Fem. Alien	1519	1519	1519	1495	0	10	0	14	98.4	0	.6	0	.9
	Female Cit.	1844	1844	1844	1753	0	58	0	33	95.1	0	3.1	0	1.8
Jerome	Male Alien	1559	1556	1556	1318	0	236	0	2	84.7	0	15.2	0	.1
	Fem. Alien	1079	1079	1079	893	1	185	0	0	82.8	.1	17.1	0	.0
	Female Cit.	1576	1576	1376	1063	0	286	0	27	77.3	0	20.8	0	1.9
Banzanar	Male Alien	2059	2059	2059	860	463	710	0	26	41.8	22.5	34.5	0	1.3
	Fem. Alien	1297	1297	1297	518	214	412	0	153	39.9	16.5	31.8	0	11.8
	Female Cit.	1632	1632	1632	901	83	563	0	85	55.2	5.1	34.5	0	5.2
Minidoka	Male Alien	2157	2157	2157	1897	0	65	0	195	87.9	0	3.0	0	9.0
	Fem. Alien	1683	1683	1683	1513	0	47	0	123	89.9	0	2.8	0	7.3
	Female Cit.	1459	1459	1459	1416	0	10	0	33	97.1	0	.7	0	2.3
Rohwer	Male Alien	1813	1813	1776	1760	0	10	0	6	99.1	0	.6	0	.3
	Fem. Alien	1051	1051	1051	1044	0	3	0	4	99.3	0	.3	0	.4
	Female Cit.	1419	1419	1321	1251	0	53	0	17	94.7	0	4.0	0	1.7
Tule Lake	Male Alien	3079	1795	0										
	Fem. Alien	2017	1430	0										
	Female Cit.	2784	2239	0										
Total	Male Alien	22,111	20,823	18,476	16,697	467	1,048	0	264	90.4	2.5	5.6	0.0	1.4
	Fem. Alien	15,014	14,423	12,691	11,488	224	669	0	310	90.6	1.7	5.3	0	2.4
	Female Cit.	19,031	18,486	15,239	13,075	194	1,487	131	352	85.8	1.3	9.7	.8	2.3
GRAND TOTAL		56,156	53,732	46,408	41,260	885	3,204	131	928	88.9	1.9	6.9	.3	1.9

\*See next page

Relocation Planning Division

\* Aliens answered the following revised form of Question 28:

"Will you swear to abide by the laws of the United States and to take no action which would in any way interfere with the war effort of the United States."

Manzanar aliens answered a special question as follows:

"Are you sympathetic to the United States of America and do you faithfully agree to defend the United States from any or all attack by either foreign or domestic forces."

Source: Tallies made at Centers



# TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

FROM WAR DEPARTMENT

BUREAU ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR

MARCH 1, 1943

*ASAC 342.18 S-17*

(See list)

INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN DILLON MYER TELEGRAM OF FEBRUARY 27  
1943 TO PROJECT DIRECTOR REGARDING STATISTICS ARE APPROVED.

SUBBY

*General*

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

(SIGNED)

JOSEPH D. HUGHES  
First Lieutenant, CMP  
Assistant Executive, Acting

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Send the attached message to the following:  
(This will mean nine separate messages)

1. LT. EUGENE D. BOGARD  
MANZANAR RELOCATION CENTER  
INDEPENDENCE, CALIFORNIA
2. LT. RAY McDANIELS  
HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION CENTER  
CODY, WYOMING
3. CAPT. NORMAN H. THOMPSON  
GILA RIVER RELOCATION CENTER  
CASA GRANDE, ARIZONA
4. CAPT. JOHN A. HOLBROOK  
ROHWER RELOCATION CENTER  
McGEHEE, ARKANSAS
5. LT. WILLIAM L. TRACY  
CENTRAL UTAH RELOCATION CENTER  
TOPAZ, UTAH
6. LT. STANLEY D. ARNOLD  
MINIDOKA RELOCATION CENTER  
JEROME, IDAHO
7. LT. JOHN H. BOLTON  
COLORADO RIVER RELOCATION CENTER  
PARKER, ARIZONA
8. LT. EVAN W. CARROLL  
TULE LAKE RELOCATION CENTER  
TULE LAKE, CALIFORNIA
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JEROME RELOCATION CENTER  
DENSON, ARKANSAS

STATISTICS ON FORMS EXECUTED BY MALE AMERICAN CITIZENS

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{ Total No. Registered (Less Minidoka) ~ 13512  
 Total Unqualified Affirmative Answers : : : : : 15119  
 Total Negative or Qualified Answers : : : : : 10189  
 Percentage of Negative Answers to Total Registration .. 3323  
 .. 21.91%

Registration  
 about 80% complete

Loyal 75.49%  
 Disloyal 24.6%

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