

(Lt. Stanley D. Arnold)

Telephone conversation between Captain Hall and Mindoka Relocation Center on February 8, 1943 at 1:15.

Hall: How do you feel? --any difficulty?

Minidoka: There were a few questions raised that produced some difficulty. Shall I present them now over the phone?

Hall: Go ahead

Minidoka: Will inductees get their seven day furlough, after the physical, as is usual, or, due to press of time, will the furlough be dispensed with?

Hall: It will be granted if requested.

Minidoka: Major Perry, of the Selective Service System, asked for additional copies of 165 for their records. They seem to want to hurry this up.

Hall: Do it for him if it is convenient. If you can help him conveniently, good and well.

Minidoka: This concerns parents in the Relocation Centers. Those outside the Relocation Centers get allowance. What is provided?

Hall: It will ^{not} be determined by the fact ^{that people in} of the Centers having hospitals, food, shelter provided for them. ~~However, this does not necessarily mean that they are not dependent.~~ In other words the question is going to be handled on an individual basis. A parent with plenty of money of his own is not dependent on the son.

Minidoka: This regards high school students who will finish their school this spring.

Hall: That is a new one. When will their education be completed?

Minidoka: They want a place reserved for them in the combat team.

Hall: I would say we cannot do that -- they want to finish school-- when are they through?

Minidoka: Some finish about March 21 -- some go into July. We have two groups.

Hall: I will have to look into that one.

Minidoka: There has been newspaper publicity about state legislation

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in the state of Washington that has caused much difficulty. When we state our policy, this is pointed out as tending just the other way. Couldn't something be done to right this, the War Department view pointed out to the Governor?

Hall: This is very difficult to stop. It must be noted that this is state policy not government. We have on the way to you editorial reaction from all over the country.

Minidoka: This Washington legislation has been actually introduced, not merely considered.

Hall: There is also on the way to you a copy of the President's letter.

Minidoka: We have received that--read it at all the meetings. We read it first in Japanese for the older ones and then in English. Another question is whether or not Japanese American girls can get into the Army as nurses.

Hall: That is under consideration like the question of the WAAC. How long do you consider it will take to complete this?

Minidoka: About 18 days.

Hall: We are very interested in the number of applications you get.

Minidoka: We will send you our daily report tonight. If there is a very large number we will advise you by wire.

Hall: Have you had the possibility of any mass meetings?

Minidoka: No. The weather has been too cold.

(Something about opinion divided. --the other side of the mountains in ~~California~~ --something about Arthur B. Langley)

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Langlie. Langlie is Gov. of Washington
and not ill disposed to the Japanese
Americans