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For the past forty years it has been my privilege to have been a teacher, first in the public schools but more especially the last ten years with the NYA, NDVT, CCC, Adult Education, Army Air Forces Armament, etc. The past year and a half has honored me with a part in the great work of the WRA at the Heart Mountain and Tule Lake centers.

I have greatly enjoyed the new type of experiences that have come to me. Secondary school work in various places and conditions were not new but here I found new elements that challenged my resources and furnished problems in a different setting. Perfection is not human. So, I have been well pleased with the apparent successes that have crowned my efforts in the grand work of the WRA.

The personnel has been of the finest type in their respective places. It has been my opportunity to have filled several kinds of positions other than teaching and with much pleasure. The general atmosphere about the centers are an inspiration to anyone trying to accomplish his bit. There is a balance of judgment and maturity of objective seldom met with, especially in so new and vital an undertaking.

The WRA seems the climax of the organizations of a similar kind and for a like purpose. The history of our country has had many and to me this the cream of all those worthy efforts of the people to solve the daily problems when they appear.

It is the ability to attack the difficulties of today and to win that in the outstanding greatness of the American People. The Gods of the Universe must look on with great admiration when man in his intricate misfortunes develops new methods and things for future generations to improve in turn.

In the heat of excitement people are susceptible to the nearest waves of thought and feeling. The Japanese people are no exception. In this country they fell into the influences of the leaders of Japan rather than those of the United States because of family, language and race nearness. This made it necessary for the protection of this country's safety and the safety of these people a segregation immediately until sane thinking and sound judgment could become the basis for making decisions both by those peoples and their neighbors. It was fortunate that an organization such as the WRA was formed to take this unfortunate misguided people into custody.

The policies that were emphasized by the WRA were the best in any event upon the outcome of the struggle that must follow. The best interests of every individual no difference what might be his opinions, choices and ambitions was evidently the fundamental objective. That differential would be the right and safest for all concerned in any eventuality.

The best in equipment, talented personnel, location of center sites and plan have insured the great success that is being completed with such amazing perfection. The mandates follow the ideals, precepts and prerogatives of the generations preceding us since the declaration of independence. The highest, most perfected comprehension of social science devised and operated for and by mankind.

The marked superiority of these projects are and will point out the way for solving the problems that are facing the world now, and those that will in the future. There have been problems and the people of the United States have been able to find a solution to better conditions for ourselves and those concerned. We do fear the future but have the courage to do the best we know. With the past we judge the future and trust a better and brighter day may be found.

Peoples in the past have sought a panacea for all time in different forms of social reorganization or reform. Much progress has been made by these efforts but perfection has not been the result of all their attempts. Down-fall has come through the failure of mankind to live up to the standards set. Would any set of standards suffice? Today's are not like yesterdays nor like tomorrows may be. Each day has its individual peculiarities and brings its battles to be won or lost. When death comes to an organization in society it is lost forever. Only its history remains to teach posterity the good and evil as they appear in the light of a new day.

So, though we may not boast of a universal success, we can say with assurance our part in the work of WRA has been to the best of our ability and the WRA has accomplished efficiently its objectives. We have bettered conditions among ourselves and helped our neighbors to a fuller and happier life.