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Jenderam Detainees

ONE year had passed since the Jenderam incident when about 1,000 Malays and 600 Chinese were sent to the Kluang detention camp, Johore, by the Security Forces, said Utusan Melayu. Out of them there are now about 300 Malays and Chinese still under detention in Kluang or elsewhere. The rest have been released, the paper said.

The Chinese ex-detainees, according to Utusan, were sent to a resettlement area, but the Malay ex-detainees numbering about 800 are now scattered all over the country without homes of their own, and they live on the charity of their friends.

Utusan Melayu suggested that these Malay ex-detainees should be sent to a resettle



ment area. According to Utusan, about a quarter of the ex-detainees are in distress and about only 10 per cent of them receive aids varying from \$3 to \$10/- a month from the Social Welfare Department.

Utusan therefore urged that government to return to the ex-detainees the money obtained from the sale of their belongings a year ago.



No Third Road

JAPAN is at the cross-road, observed Independent Sin Chew Jit Poh editorially.

Explained Sin Chew, "She is satisfied with the gentle treatment given her by her victors through the signing of the peace treaty. But materially she feels the loss of the wealth she once extracted from the Chinese mainland, also Korea and Formosa (her previous



"springboard" to the mainland). She is now confined to her four small islands. Looking objectively at the Daily, the recent riots in Tokyo were partly caused by the sincere desire of the rioters to prevent the revival of militarism, and partly by instigation by communists. "What we are concerned about," continued Sin Chew, "is the outcome of this restlessness. The road before Japan is extremely narrow, and," said the paper, "but the shrewdness of the Yoshida Government has enabled Japan to shift responsibility for Japan's difficulties on to the Western Powers. It is wrong of certain critics to see an analogy between the riots in Tokyo and those in North Africa, Egypt and Iraq. The restlessness in Japan, Sin Chew, was not created by the tide of nationalism."





by the inner conflict of Japanese people, caused by the desperate position is placed in.

This restlessness can lead either of the two directions that of the revival of militarism or communist totalitarianism.

There is no third road for Japan, Sin Chew concluded.

Passing Shower

COMMENTING ON U.S. Government's restoration of free trading in natural rubber, pro-Kuomintang Chung Shing Jit Pau said: "In view of the conditions attached, relaxation of the price of rubber can only be a passing shower."

Faced with such gloomy prospect for the rubber industry, said Chung Shing, rubber producers might be hoping that they could trade with communist countries, so they had a better recovery.

But warned the Daily to contemplate such a fantastic action would be "to play with fire"

Chung Shing however called upon America not to take too drastic a step against rubber producers, she should do what she could to prevent a "possible disharmony among the free nations".

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