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Leave clearance hearings were stepped up this week. 80 were scheduled, and 72 were held. Eight persons did not appear for various reasons. 80 more hearings are scheduled for the coming week. Additional members of the appointed personnel have been added to the leave clearance committees, and this has made a more even distribution of this work. However, the load on the stenographic help has been increased, and this has created a rather difficult problem.

There was an increase in the number of persons relocating this week. 24 people left the center on indefinite leave. Ten of these were students. Three seasonal leaves were issued.

It is believed that the influence epidemic is definitely on the decline. There has been a decrease in the number of patients admitted to the hospital and also in the number of out-patients and those coming to the clinic for treatment.

Because of the scarcity of fuel, all male evaques employees except key workers have been excused from their regular duties so that they can help with wood cutting. The recent rains have made it impossible for trucks to leave the gravel roads, so it is necessary to use magons to haul the wood from where it is out to the trucks. It will probably be necessary to continue this arrangement for another week.