

*Schmidt's File*

Tule Lake Project  
Newell, California

Project Case  
#A-7

November 25, 1943

At 9:14 A. M. , November 25, 1943, Mr. Harry Black, Head of Community Management, reported that the Block Manager at Block 13 was ordering evacuees not to return to work. Mr. Black further stated that this incident was the outgrowth of trying to obtain evacuee workers in the Welfare Division of Community Management, whereupon the Block Manager said, "that if it was work on evacuee property only, then would they be allowed to work."

The name of the Block Manager given at that time was a Mr. Kobayoshi.

At about 9:25 A.M., November 25, 1943, Mr. Black returned with Mr. Lorne Huycke, of Evacuee Housing. Mr. Huycke stated that he was to receive some evacuee workers in the Housing section but they (the workers) had been told allegedly by the Block Manager at 13 Block that they would get their heads beat in.

Mr. Huycke stated that his list of Block Managers shows a Mr. Bill Tajiri, Family No. 14865, living at 1307-C as the Block Manager for 13. Also he is residing with three other persons, namely:

1. Mosami Sugaya
2. Harumi Tajiri
3. Kazuma Tajiri

and that they were the ones responsible for stealing plaster board from a vacant apartment and making closets in their own apartment. They were caught and prosecuted. It is believed these three last mentioned came from Jerome, previously from Hawaii. The latter should be ascertained.

W. E. Schmidt, National Chief,  
Internal Security

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10:30 A.M.

cc: Capt. Archer