

JEFFERSON BARRACKS
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER
JEFFERSON BARRACKS, MISSOURI

1941/12/25

25 December, 1941.

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SUBJECT: Enlisted Men of Japanese Extraction.

TO : The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

1. On December 7, 1941, all enlisted men of Japanese extraction at this station were placed in protective custody. This action was reported to The Commanding General, Air Corps Technical Training Command, Tulsa, Oklahoma, who directed that protective custody be continued pending further instructions. Since December 7, enlisted men of Japanese extraction received at this station have been placed in protective custody immediately upon reporting. At the present time, twenty-two (22) such men are in custody. All of them claim American citizenship by virtue of birth in the United States or in Hawaii. It is believed that many of them are dual citizens of the United States and of Japan. Following is a list of those now held:

- Fujihiro, Nob Tadashi, Pvt., ASN 59161550, Medical Detachment
- Col, Shoji Kikura, Pvt., ASN 59162044, Fl 13, 250th Sch. Sq.
- Bananaka, Kiyoshi (none), Pvt., ASN 59001595, Medical Detachment.
- Mirabayashi, Grant Jiro, Pvt., ASN 59282322, Fl 10, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Yehiki, Stanley Tsuneki, Pvt., ASN 59005000, Fl 6, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Ikuta, Edo (none), Pvt., ASN 59161551, Medical Detachment
- Kanetani, Jero (none), Pvt., ASN 59282323, Fl 5, 250th Sch. Sq.
- Kishi, Tokio, Pvt., ASN 59008100, Fl 10, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Kyoto, Kago (none), Pvt., ASN 57161661, Medical Detachment
- Makabe, Donald H., Pvt., ASN 59004000, Fl 27, 27th Sch. Sq.
- Murakami, Man Akira, Pvt., ASN 59282370, Fl 20, 27th Sch. Sq.
- Nagata, Haruo (none), Pvt., ASN 59282325, Fl 12, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Makaguchi, Takeshi, Pvt., ASN 59005104, Fl 10, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Honda, Isao, K., Pvt., ASN 59004005, Fl 10, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Norimatsu, Henry Katsumi, Pvt., ASN 19004087, Fl 22, 250th Sch. Sq.
- Shibao, Harry Susumu, Pvt., ASN 59002250, Fl 2, 51st Sch. Sq.
- Shibuya, Keichi (none), Pvt., ASN 59167661, Fl 13, 51st Sch. Sq.
- Shintani, Masao (none), Pvt., ASN 59007911, Fl 12, 25th Sch. Sq.
- Sugano, Stephen Shigeyuki, ASN 17024279, Fl 27, 250th Sch. Sq.
- Uyeda, Roy T., Pvt., ASN 59004746, Fl 29, 250th Sch. Sq.
- Yumura, George (none), Pvt., ASN 59167610, Fl 6, 250th Sch. Sq.
- Wakamatsu, Johnny Tomokuni, Pvt., ASN 59004682, Fl 5, 250th Sch. Sq.

2. Of those now held, there is no record of known subversive activity with the exception of Pvt. Eiyu [Name] who refused to take an oath of allegiance upon induction, claiming conscientious objection to war. The

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Following listed men were taken to Japan during the previous period of their enlistment:

- Fujiwara - 1918 to 1920
- Doi - 1928 to 1933
- Harashima - Two years
- Kirabayashi - 1932 to 1940
- Ihata - 1935 to 1938
- Kubota - 1934 to 1937
- Ngata - Four months, grammar school
- Shibuya - 1935 to 1938
- Yamada - 1934 to 1937

3. It is believed that prejudice against Japanese on the part of white enlisted men at this station might create a dangerous situation if the men now held were returned to their organizations. On one occasion, the attitude of white enlisted men towards a Japanese enlisted man who was awaiting physical examination was such as to require that the non-commissioned officers in charge withdraw the Japanese man and hold him for separate physical examination.

4. All of the enlisted men are in the Air Corps and in the normal course of events would be sent to Air Corps training schools for training. Upon satisfactory completion of such training they would be assigned to units where they would be particularly dangerous if inclined towards disloyalty.

5. Since December 7, enlisted men of Japanese extraction have continued to report at this station indicating that such men are still being enlisted in the Air Corps and that Reception Centers are shipping them without regard to race.

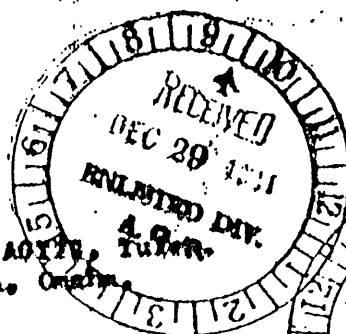
6. It is recommended that all enlisted men of Japanese extraction in the Air Corps be discharged or interned for the duration of the war and that enlistment or induction of such men be discontinued.

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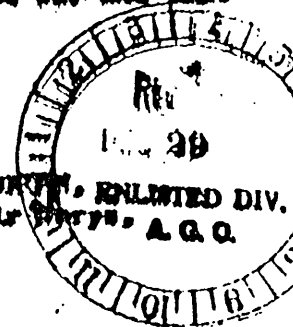
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