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"Deportation Drive Opens"

Los Angeles--"Cracking down on naturalized citizens whose loyalty to the United States at war is suspected, Federal authorities have begun Calif. gun action to deprive them of their civil rights and make them liable to deportation to countries of their birth..." First civil suit filed demanding revocation of citizenship is that of Friedrich Walter Bergmann, scientist of 1255 W. Seaside St., Long Beach, accused or praising Hitler.--Los Angeles Times, July 6, p. 10, part 2. #829

"Japs Give Prisoners Fair Treatment, Chavez Reports"

Washington (INS) --Senator Dennis Chavez, Democrat of New Mexico said "the war department informed him that 'reports from several Nat'l sources' indicate that the Japanese are subscribing to the Geneva convention in treatment of American war prisoners..."--Seattle Post-Intelligencer, July 5, p. 1. #830

"New Order Issued to Relocate Japanese"

Calif. San Francisco--"Evacuation of 100,000 in West Coast area No. 2 begins July 9..."--New York Times, July 1, p. 12. #831

"Japanese Citizens Win A Court Fight"

San Francisco--Feature story by Lawrence E. Davies. Suit brought Calif. by the Native Sons of the Golden West, to disenfranchise American-born Japanese, dismissed by Judge A. F. St. Sure of the Federal District Court.--New York Times, July 3, p. 7. #832

Japanese Held by Immigration Officers

Calif. Visalia--Tatsuo Hayamo, 42, arrested and held in county jail. Reason for arrest withheld by officers.--Visalia Times-Delta, July 3, p. 1. #833

"Work Starts Soon on Lamar Jap Camp"

Colo. Lamar--"Construction of the Prowers County Japanese Relocation Center near here will begin in a few days, according to project officials, who announced Thursday that the \$3,000,000 contract has been awarded to Lambie, Moss, Little & James of Amarillo, Tex."--Denver Post, July 2, p. 7. #834

"Interned Jap Kids"

Calif. Butte--One column picture by Central Press showing two Japanese babies riding their toy wagon on Seabiscuit Avenue at the Santa Anita Assembly Center.--Montana Standard, July 4, p. 10. #835

"Chinese Farm Aid Studied in New Survey"

Calif. San Francisco--"Chinese Consul Gen. C. T. Feng will conduct a survey of South and Central American countries to determine how many Chinese might be available there to work as emergency farm laborers in California. Gov. Olson informed Consul Gen. Feng that if the survey revealed there were sufficient number of Chinese available in South American he would confer with Federal authorities regarding their entry to the United States..."--San Francisco News, July 9, p. 2, col. 1. #836

"A Deserved Rebuff"

San Francisco--Editorial. "Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt quite advisedly turned down Governor Olson's proposal that Japanese be taken from reception centers and relocation camps to provide harvest labor. The governor should have given more careful thought before making his proposal. If he had done so he would have realized the difficulties it presented to the Army and to the Japanese themselves..."

"When soldiers are so scarce as to be unavailable for guarding strategic installations along this coast, which is a fact, certainly the Army could not afford to divert any for guarding Japanese workers in the fields... It would have been humiliating for the Japanese to work under military guard before the eyes of their former friends in the populated agricultural districts. So far the evacuation of the Japanese had been carried out with a minimum of military display. Forcing them to work under armed guards would have been a serious departure from that policy. They could not be expected to volunteer for it.

"Governor Olson must have foreseen the farm labor shortage months ago when he was insisting that the Japanese be removed from the Coast. Why didn't he then propose that enough be left in the agricultural regions for the harvest?

Calif. "The answer is that it was politically expedient for him to demand their wholesale evacuation at that time... It deserves the rebuff General DeWitt administered by his emphatic rejection of the proposal to create forced labor among the Japanese evacuees."--San Francisco News, July 9, p. 14, col. 1. #837

"U. S. Urged to Jail Germans"

Eng. London (UP) --"Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, vice premier of the Polish Refugee Government, said that leaders of the underground movement in Poland were demanding that the U. S. imprison 'tens of thousands' of Germans in retaliation for Nazi persecution of the Poles." Polish Government did not consider it feasible because "it is not possible to retaliate against American citizens of German descent..." --San Francisco News, July 9, p. 1. col. 6. #838

"Alaska Travel Now Under Army Rule"

Calif. San Francisco--Any civilian desiring to go to Alaska must receive a permit from Alaska Travel Control office. "No permit will be issued to an enemy alien or person of Japanese ancestry..."--San Francisco Examiner, July 10, p. 10, col. 5. #839