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"Jap Couple Married With F.B.I. Blessing"

Mo. Springfield (AP) --Private Alan N. Teranishi, 26, stationed at O'Reilly Hospital and Lillian M. Kodama, 24, of Reedley, Calif., both American-born Japanese, were married by County Judge Frank Wheeler. Miss Kodama's marriage saved her from having to go to an internment camp with her parents, the bridegroom told county officials. --Los Angeles Times, July 23, p. 11. #990

"Evacuation of All Japanese Is Ordered"

Calif. Visalia--Feature story. "...All of the area affected by the order is in Military Zone 2, including areas of Tulare and Fresno counties which heretofore held considerable concentrations of Japanese... Just how many Japanese there are remaining in Tulare county is a matter of widely varied estimates... Several arrests of Japanese who wittingly or unwittingly evaded the curfew have been made in this county and all such prisoners have been sent to concentration camps." Portions of Tulare county affected by the order described. --Visalia Times-Delta, July 23, p. 15. #991

"Greeley Assembly Told of Dangerous Jap Clique in U.S."

Colo. Greeley--Dr. Thomas J. Mahan, director of education and recreation wartime civil control, said: "American-born Japanese educated in Japan, known as the Keibei, are the most dangerous group and what happens to the Japanese in the evacuee camps being set up by the government is of greatest importance to the U.S. after the war... About 4,000 of them are interned in the centers, and they are indoctrinated. He quoted a

Japanese-American supervisor as follows: "Due to their educational background under the modern Japanese political system, they are heart Japanese in thought."--Denver Post, July 21, p. 16. #992

"Portland Japanese Assembly Center Still Temporary"

Ore. Portland (AP) --"Nicholas L. Bican, new manager, asserted today the North Portland Japanese assembly center still was on a temporary basis with no provision for the coming winter. "We don't know yet where the Japanese will be sent, nor when, and no plans have been made for heating the quarters," he said. Population at center increasing instead of decreasing. When center was opened it was expected that the Japanese would be sent to relocation centers before the winter.--Herald and News, (Klamath Falls), July 21, p. 8. #993

Population of Tule Lake Relocation Project Now 12,480

Calif. Klamath Falls--"Four evacuees arrived Saturday from Sacramento, and 508 from the Pinedale assembly center."--Herald and News, July 20, p. 12. #994

Judge Expected to Rule That Curfew, Evacuation Orders Are Constitutional

Wash. Seattle (AP) --In the case of Gordon Kyoshi Hirabayashi, 24, Japanese-American University of Washington student who contested the orders, Federal Judge Lloyd Black said "he would so rule, unless convinced to the contrary. Referring to an argument by Frank L. Waters, attorney for Hirabayashi, that evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from critical military areas can be accomplished legally only by amending the constitution, Judge Black observed: "I do not consider that our constitution makes this nation that helpless to cope with total conflict. I recognize that it has been frequently declared by representatives of Japan, Germany and Italy that a constitutional democracy, such as the U. S., is completely outmoded by reason of scientific advancement that has so speeded modern war. Such representatives have shouted to the world that the constitution of the U. S. is so restrictive, cumbersome and unyielding as to absolutely bind and imprison the U.S., so that this country, self-imprisoned by its own constitution, will be an immobilized victim while the speedy attacks of dictator countries, unrestrained by parliament or constitution, destroy it. But I concede to counsel that I don't believe the constitution of the U.S. is so unsuited for survival in these days of lightning war that if we need to protect critical military areas we can only do so by the slow process of constitutional amendment."--Herald and News (Klamath Falls), July 20, p. 12. #995

"Edict Bans Guns For Japanese"

Utah Salt Lake--"Under no circumstances are persons of Japanese ancestry in Utah to be allowed to carry firearms, even though the intended use might be hunt game..." Order consequence of army order placing Utah in Military Zone 6 according to Atty. Gen. Grover A. Giles.--Salt Lake Tribune, July 20, p. 8. #996

"Facts on Evacuee Labor Situation"

Calif. Klamath Falls--Editorial. "Definite information which helps materially in sizing up the prospects for use of evacuee labor in this basin comes to us from E. R. Fryer, regional director of the War Relocation Authority..." Present rulings and part of letter from Mr. Fryer stating that evacuee labor from Tule Lake cannot be used within the state of California given. "This is not all good news for the Klamath basin, for there are fears of farm labor shortage that will extend over both sides of the state line in this basin... We do feel that if, from a military standpoint, it was safe to locate the evacuation center at Tulalake, it should be safe to permit the evacuees to work in private employment in the area immediately surrounding the settlement. It will help to have the evacuee labor available, if needed, on the Oregon side, but there is a sound basis for urging that this privilege be extended a short distance into California to help out in the Tulalake district and the entire Klamath basin."--Herald and News, July 20, p. 4. #997

Mistreatment of Prisoners by Japanese Revealed

E. A. Lourenco Marques (AP and UP) --Feature stories by Max Hill, chief of the Associated Press Bureau in Tokyo; staff writers, James D. White; Felman Morin; Robert T. Bellaire, United Press manager at Tokyo; Richard C. Wilson, United Press manager at Manila; Jennifer White, wife of Associated Press correspondent at Peiping. All were among the group of Americans in the first transfer of nationals between the United States and Japan since the beginning of the war.--San Francisco Call-Bulletin, July 25, p. 2, col. 1; San Francisco News, July 25, p. 2, col. 2; San Francisco Examiner, July 26, p. 5, col. 1; p. 4, col. 1; San Francisco Chronicle, July 26, p. 4, col. 3; San Francisco Examiner, July 27, p. 2, col. 6; San Francisco Chronicle, July 27, p. 1, col. 3. #998

"Warren Asks Definition of 'Siege' in Japs' Suit"

Calif. San Francisco--"Because of new problems raised by the modern principle of 'total war,' the courts should redetermine what constitutes threat of invasion. So contended Atty. Gen. Earl Warren yesterday when he intervened with a brief in Federal court in the case of Mitsuyo Endo, 22 year old American-born Japanese girl formerly employed by the State, who seeks a writ of habeas corpus that would free her from the Newell detention camp..."--San Francisco Examiner, July 25, p. B, col. 5. #999

"Repatriation of U.S. Japs Is Considered"

Calif. San Francisco--"Blank forms have been issued to Japanese now in assembly centers, upon which the internee, whether alien or American-Japanese, may register himself for repatriation. Outcome of the plan to repatriate Japanese would depend upon an exchange of nationals between Japan and America."--San Francisco Chronicle, July 25, p. 7, col. 4. #1000

"Japanese Brutality"

Calif. San Francisco--Editorial. "The account of Japanese treatment of Americans interned in Japan... does not make pleasant reading. The Japanese police neither understand nor are made to understand by their Government the requirements of decency imposed by civilization in the treatment of innocent enemy nationals caught in their country by the out-break of war. All we can do on our side is to go on treating with full decency and humanity the Japanese who are in like case in our country. For our own honor, and the honor of the civilization we are upholding against Axis assault, we cannot, by any acts like theirs, put ourselves in the class of the Japanese police. This is also the best safeguard against worse actions by the Japanese on their side."--San Francisco Chronicle, July 27, p. 8, col. 1. #1001

"34 Aliens Taken in Miami Raids"

Fla. Miami (AP) --In a series of raids 34 German, Italian and Japanese aliens were taken into custody. "Search warrants were served on 134 Germans, 56 Italians and six Japanese aliens. Among the articles seized were 26 cameras, 13 short wave radios, firearms and ammunition."--San Francisco Examiner, July 27, p. 9, col. 5. #1002