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"Soldiers Harvest Crop, 600 Make \$2800 in Day"

Wash.

Olympia--600 soldiers harvested approximately 80,000 pounds of blackcaps near Yelm, volunteering to save crops spoiling as a result of a farm labor shortage .-- Spokesman-Review (Spokane), July 20, p. 1.

"Mexicans Help With Pea Crop"

Wash.

Pomeroy--Forty Mexican laborers were shipped in by the Blue Mountain Canneries, Inc., to be employed as field laborers. At present they are housed in company dormitories which formerly belonged to the CCC .--Spokesman-Review (Spokane), July 20, p. 3.

"Tulelake Japanese Show Great Loyalty to U.S."

Klamath Falls -- Speaking to the Klamath Falls Kiwanis club, E. L. Shirrell, director of the Tule Lake War Relocation project, declared that the community was comparable to any other American community. He Calif. branded as "harmless" the only two incidents in which evacuees have attempted to leave the project and outlined the program through which evacuees hope to make the project self-sufficient. " ... Indicating the fact that the colonists are generally satisfied with their lot, he said there had been virtually no application by the alien Japanese for repatriation..."--Herald and News, July 23, p. 1. #1024

"White Farmers Doing Good Job"

Klamath Falls--Editorial lauded the work done by white farmers and laborers in California farms previously cultivated by the Japanese.

"...One visitor, here fresh from California, said that the whole theory that Japanese are superior at certain types of farming has been broken down by the experience of the present year... It apparently has taken a war to bring realization of the capacities of white farmers and white laborers down there."--Herald and News, July 23, p. 4. #1025

Elimination of Prohibited Zones Repeals Curfew

Billings—Rescindment of a public proclamation No. 1 in March establishing restriced zones in Montana "...in effect repeals the 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. curfew invoked on enemy aliens residing in the restricted areas.

Mont. Restricted zones in the Billings area included the municipal airport, certain highway and railway bridges and radio station KGHL."—Billings Gazette, July 20, p. 5.

"Mixed Populations"

Billings—Editorial comments on Colombia's transfer of coast aliens inland, comparing it to evacuation of California Japanese. "...Hard Mont. on the innocent, it is forced on them because of the difficulty of separating them from the guilty..." Other examples of difficulties arising from mixed populations were also given.—Billings Gazette, July 20, p. 4.

"Too Much 'Loose' Conversation"

Phoenix--Editorial condemned "loose" talk on the part of government employees in Washington, D.C., and advocated the removal of all enemy aliens from the nation's capital, "the number one defense area of the United States." "...If it was found necessary in the interests of protecting the West coast against possible Japanese espionage and potential fifth-columnists to remove the Japanese from certain areas whether they were native-born or foreign-born, it seems doubly necessary to remove all enemy aliens from the District of Columbia..."—Arizona Republic, July 22, p. 8. #1028

"In New Mexico"

Albuquerque--Dona Ana county schools will declare a recess during harvesting should farmers encounter an anticipated shortage of cotton N. Mex. pickers. Negotiations for Mexican labor are still being conducted by Secy. of Agriculture Wickard.--Albuquerque Journal, July 23, p. 6. #1029

"Sabotage in America"

Cheyenne--Editorial discussed possibilities of sabotage among enemy aliens in this country. The writer admitted that many are loyal but gave examples of treachery, e.g. by California Japanese. "...Hostile Wyo. Nipponese automobile owners had been instructed, in case of invasion, to drive their cars to strategic mountain roads and there abandon them, making a traffic jam for miles in length so that it would be impossible for the army to rush its ammunition trucks thru the passes. Tojo's tour never reached our Pacific beaches but his stooges over here landed in concentration camps..."--Wyoming State Tribune, July 22, p. 4, #1030

"Police Hold Japanese Youth for Quiz"

Salt Lake City-18-year-old Ken Yamaki was booked for investigation
Utah by Salt Lake City police who discovered him throwing firecrackers into
a lot full of June grass.—Salt Lake Tribune, July 23, p. 12. #1031

"Post Office At Relocation Center Officially Named"

Cody--According to Senator H.H. Schwartz, the name of Beck has Wyo. been officially approved by the post office department and the WRA for the Heart Mountain Relocation project post office.—Cody Enterprise, July 22, p. 5. #1032

"Relocation Center Work Passes Half Way Mark July 20"

Cody-Authorities disclosed that work on the Heart Mountain Relocation project was rated as 53 per cent completed on July 20, with two blocks composed of 48 buildings ready for occupancy with the exception of minor details. Progress on the administrative, hospital, warehouse, and military police buildings was described and a report on roads, sewage, and sanitation was given.—Cody Enterprise, July 22, p. 1. #1033

"City Rises From Dust for Japanese"

Wyo.

Cody--Ted Sherwin described the construction of the Heart Mountain Wyo. Relocation project, emphasizing mechanical details.--Cody Enterprise, July 22, p. 6. #1034

Scenes of Progress at Heart Mountain Relocation Project

Cody--Three-column picture of trucks swinging into place sections of barracks apartments. Two-column picture of saws cutting lumber into Wyo. specified size at the project and four-column picture of the project from the hill behind it. Scene of workmen stopping for a drink of water near the First Aid dispensary.--Cody Enterprise, July 22, pp.1,4,5. #103.

"Mexico Revokes Enemy Citizenship"

Mexico City (UP) --"In an effort to curtail operations of Axis agents who are hiding behind Mexican naturalization, President Manuel Mexico Avila Camacho decreed that any naturalized subject of Germany, Japan or Italy will forfeit citizenship if he is suspected of working against Mexico..."--San Francisco News, July 28, p. 3, col. 5. #1036

American Treatment of Japanese "Prisoners" .

Washington--David Lawrence column excerpt. "...There are tens of thousands of British and American citizens still in Japanese hands-probably more than, at the moment, there are Japanese prisoners in

Nat'l American hands. The Japanese must know that no matter what the provocation the American government will not descend to the level of torturing innocent people..."--San Francisco Call-Bulletin, July 28, p. 4, col. 7.

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"Exchange Liner Sails for U.S."

Lourenco Marques (INS) -- "The Swedish liner Gripsholm, carrying E.A. 1,526 repatriated Americans, sailed from Lourenco Marques today for the United States..."-- San Francisco Examiner, July 29, p. 2, col. 3. #1038

More On Japanese Mistreatment of Americans

Lourenco Marques (AP) -- Vaughn F. Meisling, former San Francisco reporter and AP staff writer, and Edwin Koons, New York Presbyterian missionary, recounted their experiences in Japanese hands. -- San Francisco Chronicle, July 29, p. 4, col. 3; San Francisco Examiner, July 29, p. 2, col. 1.

"Last Of Japs Set To Move"

Fresno (AP) --Willard S. Marsh, WCCA manager, revealed that 5,000
Japanese had registered at Reedley, Visalia, and Sanger in the registration of the last of interior California's Japanese. "...It is estimated 6,150 will be evacuated from the district which also includes Parlier, Orange Cove, Orosi and Dinuba and parts of Fowler, Selma and Kingsburg..." After these are moved only Japanese remaining in interior California will be those at the Fresno County fair grounds, Marsh declared.—San Francisco Examiner, July 29, p. 3, col. 8. #1040

934,100 Aliens Issued Cards

Washington (AP) --"Identification certificates have been issued to Nat'l 934,100 German, Italian and Japanese aliens in the U.S., Earl G. Harrison, immigration and naturalization commissioner, reported..."--San Francisco Examiner, July 29, p. 2, col. 3. #1041