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(This issue of the DAILY PRESS REVIEW includes a digest of the most important news items, articles and editorials appearing in newspapers and periodicals reaching the San Francisco Regional Office in the last 24 hours. If you wish to refer to any clippings, please telephone Miss Elinor Bauman, Head of the Documents Section, Branch 300, Room 362.)

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"Our Japs Have Gone to Work"

Under the above title John Bird, former head of the WRA information division, wrote a 5,000-word article telling the story of the Japanese evacuation from the perspective of agriculture. "It is certain that with the Japs gone, the complexion and total farm output of the Pacific Coast region is in for a change...California in particular... Altogether, in 1940 Japanese farm operators on the West Coast controlled about 6,000 farms, totaling 258,000 acres... In some crops they have specialized almost to the point of monopoly... Eighty per cent of California's beans, celery, peas, cucumbers, peppers; 75 per cent of the garlic; 60 per cent of the market tomatoes, spinach and cauliflower." Describes relocation projects, sidelights on life, agricultural plans and public works projects to be developed. Discusses question of loyalty. "It is certain that the evacuees as a group are co-operating wholeheartedly with the government in the relocation program." Also five pictures, by War Relocation Authority, showing Japanese evacuees at work on agricultural projects.--Country Gentleman, August 1, p. 7. #1164

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Relocation Center in Millard County To Be Concentrated Into One Large Farming Unit Under Control of War Department for the Duration

Denver--Center to be located a few miles north of Delta. It will receive 10,000 Japanese upon its completion in August. Almost half of the 20,000-acre tract privately owned, most of the balance owned by Millard county. The area produces alfalfa, sugar beets and grain. "The fact that a complete system of irrigation ditches is already laid out under the Abraham and Deseret Water Company, with a railroad branch

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nearby, with power available, made this an especially suitable site for the purpose."--The Western Farm Life, August 1, p. 7. #1165

Japanese and Mexican Labor Needed for Crops Next Year

Ida. Denver--"In a Fourth of July address at Twin Falls, Lieut. Col. Norman B. Atkison, Idaho state draft executive officer said a heavy draining of farm labor to private industry was the principal reason for farm labor shortage... He also said many men now deferred for farm work will eventually be called into war service, making the present farm labor situation still worse... Sugar beets and wheat crops will require active government help in 1943, Col. Atkison stated, through the medium of getting Japanese and Mexican workers to replace Americans going into the service."--The Western Farm Life, August 1, p. 7. #1166

"Move Offices Wednesday to Jap Camp"

Utah Delta--"...Living quarters and offices have been set up at the relocation center for both the workmen and the office force... Local members of the office staff will be transported daily to Abraham and back again that evening, so that they may live at their own homes. Many of the men employed at the camp will continue to stay in Delta nights, but the main body of workers will be quartered at the camp. Delta has been in quite a hub-bub trying to take care of the men, both with food and rooms..."--Millard County Chronicle, July 30, p. 1. #1167

"Commissary Opens at Japanese Camp"

Utah Delta--"Wednesday the commissary operated by Daley Brothers was opened at the relocation center in Abraham... The men are obtaining both board and room at the camp for \$1.75 a day. This includes the use of the barracks, showers and commissary..."--Millard County Chronicle, July 30, p. 1. #1168

"'Little Tokyo' May Be Named TOPAZ"

Utah Delta--I formation as to who chose the name and why will be given readers if postal authorities will accept that name.--Millard County Chronicle, July 30, p. 4. #1169

Second Japanese Relocation Center In This Area Rumored

Utah Delta--"There are a lot of rumors, which so far we haven't had confirmed, to the effect that a second large Japanese Relocation Center will be built in our area..."--Millard County Chronicle, July 30, p. 4. #1170

"Director of Girl Scouts to Form Jap Troop"

Utah Salt Lake--Mrs. Mary J. Littlefield, regional director of Girl Scouts, left Salt Lake City August 10 for Cody, Wyo., "where she will assist in the organization of scout troops in the Japanese relocation center there."--Salt Lake Telegram, Aug. 8, p. 13. #1171

"WRA Officials Minimize Evacuee Center Dangers"

Utah Delta--"Reporting that residents of Delta 'have nothing to fear' from the proximity of the Japanese war relocation camp at Abraham, four WRA officials from San Francisco left here Thursday after making a week-end inspection of the camp. Japanese in other camps have cooperated wholeheartedly with the WRA in making the camps successful and have caused no trouble, according to Edwin Bates, chief of information division for the region and a member of the inspection group..." Mr. Bates outlined in detail how the camp would operate. "Mr. Bates explained that private employment of evacuees on farms is a matter which will have to be worked out. He added that about 1200 workers from relocation centers and temporary assembly centers had gone from California to work in Idaho, Oregon and Montana beet fields this year. Before leaving, the inspectors said they will return to Delta on inspection tours about once every six weeks." --Salt Lake Telegram, Aug. 7, p. 18. #1172

"State Studies Way to Educate Japs"

Calif. Sacramento--State Department of Education working with the WRA has "worked but a tentative proposal for the establishment" of schools in Japanese reception centers.--San Francisco News, Aug. 10, p. 3, col. 4. #1173

"7,200 Japs Evacuated to Southern Idaho Camp"

Wash. Puyallup (INS) -- Japanese from the assembly center at Puyallup are being removed to permanent relocation center in southern Idaho.--San Francisco Call-Bulletin, Aug. 10, p. 1, col. 2. #1174

"In the Magazines"

Calif. San Francisco--By Mary Ellen Leary. "Asia--... Of the Japanese evacuation, Grace E. Wills says: 'Evacuees have been understanding and patient ... administrative personnel have been ... of a fine caliber.'..."--San Francisco News, Aug. 10, p. 12, col. 3. #1175

"Jap Transfer Due August 20"

Calif. San Francisco--"Five thousand Japanese will be transferred from Tulare Assembly Center, Tulare to the Gila River Relocation Center at Sacaton, Ariz., beginning August 20, it was announced here yesterday by the WCCA. These Japanese are from Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Los Angeles Counties."--San Francisco Examiner, Aug. 11, p. 3, col. 4. #1176

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Los Angeles (AP) -- "The Los Angeles Board of Education today voted to send teachers to the Poston (Ariz.) war relocation project to organize schools for some 3,000 Japanese-American children formerly residents of this city..."--San Francisco Examiner, Aug. 11, p. 2, col. 6. #1177

"Seven Japs Held on Bribe Charges"

Los Angeles (AP) -- FBI agents arrested seven Japanese on charges "of conspiring to bribe Federal officers to let them run gambling games at the Santa Anita Reception Center... Federal agents said they had evidence that rival Japanese groups had been fighting among themselves with fists and knives over which group should control gambling."--San Francisco Chronicle, Aug. 11, p. 10, col. 1. #1178

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Sacramento--State Department of Education working with the WRA has "worked out a tentative proposal for the establishment of schools in Japanese reception centers."--San Francisco News, Aug. 10, p. 8, col. 4. #1179

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Pravling (INS) -- Japanese from the assembly center at Pravling are being removed to permanent relocation center in southern Idaho. San Francisco Call-Bulletin, Aug. 10, p. 1, col. 2. #1184

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