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"Rep. Robinson Raps Laxity of Jap Curbs"

Utah

Salt Lake--At a meeting of the United Veterans' Council, held August 19, Rep. J. W. Robinson expressed "grave concern over the lack of restrictions on the movements of Japanese aliens and citizens of Japanese descent in Utah military zones. Robinson charged that Japanese truck farmers pass through military zones at all hours of the day and night to carry their produce to Salt Lake City markets..."--Salt Lake Tribune, Aug. 20, p. 11. #1329

"Japs May Aid in Valley's Fruit Harvest"

Ida.

Caldwell--"The possibility that fruit growers of the Boise valley may have Japanese-American evacuee help to harvest fruit crops was suggested by Telpher E. Wright, manager of the USES office in Caldwell... Application for the labor is being made through the local employment office by fruit growers of Central Cove and Fargo districts..."--Idaho Daily Statesman (Boise), Aug. 18, p. 8. #1330

"Suit Challenges Right To Detain Japanese"

Calif.

Los Angeles--"Constitutionality of Gen. DeWitt's order challenged in suit by Civil Liberties Union..." Action taken in behalf of Mrs. Toki Wakayama, California-born evacuee at Santa Anita. Her husband Ernest Wakayama served in the Army in the first World War. "The petition asked the court to declare Gen. DeWitt's action unconstitutional and provide machinery whereby American-born Japanese, as distinguished from enemy aliens, may be permitted to remove to unrestricted parts of the country after winding up their business affairs in this sector..."--Los Angeles Times, Aug. 20, p. 3, part 2. #1331

"Japanese Released On Camera Count"

Mont. Billings--"Tom Kawano, 22, American citizen of Japanese ancestry of Powell, Wyo., who was arrested Sunday night on a charge of possessing a camera, was released Monday by the U.S. Dist. Atty.'s office..." Atty. Roy Allen explained that proclamation prohibiting Japanese-Americans and aliens from possession of contraband articles and curfew regulations does not apply to Wyoming. Kawano has a brother in the U.S. Army.--Billings Gazette, Aug. 18, p. 2. #1332

"Cody to Get 1,100 Japs"

Wyo. Cheyenne--"...Approximately 1,100 Japanese evacuated to the Portland assembly center from Benton, Chelan, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan and Yakima counties, Washington, will be transferred to the Heart Mountain Relocation Center..."--Wyoming State Tribune, Aug. 20, p. 8. #1333

"Half of Camp Residents Coming During This Week"

Ida. Jerome--"Government moving in camp residents at rate of 600 per day..." The Japanese evacuees are from the Puyallup assembly center and are being transferred to the Minidoka Relocation Center near Eden.--North Side News, Aug. 20, p. 1. #1334

"Oregon Japanese To Be Sent Here"

Ida. Jerome--"A total of 2,400 Japanese, now at the Portland assembly center will be transferred to the Minidoka camp near Eden, starting about Sept. 6 and continuing at the rate of 600 daily until the operation is completed..."--North Side News, Aug. 20, p. 1. #1335

"Coast Japanese Will Call This New Camp Their Home for the Duration..."

Ida. Jerome--Three-quarters of a page devoted to pictures (courtesy of the Idaho Daily Statesman) and story on the Minidoka Relocation Center near Eden, Idaho. For story see articles #1297 and 1300.--North Side News, Aug. 20, p. 6. #1336

"Priest Coming for Japanese Catholics"

Ida. Jerome--"Word has been received in Jerome from Boise that Father L.H. Tibesar, a Maryknoll Father, will arrive in Jerome this week end to care for the Catholic Japanese, interned near Eden. A recent survey of the Japanese indicated 300 were Catholics..."--North Side News, Aug. 20, p. 1, part 2. #1337

"5000 Mexican Workers Stranded"

Mex. Mexico City--"...Workers who sought to enter the U.S. to aid in relieving the farm labor shortage, under terms of a new Mexican-U. S. agreement, are stranded at Juarez on the Texas border."--San Francisco News, Aug. 25, p. 4, col. 3. #1338

"They Cast Their Votes, Too"

Calif. San Francisco--Two column picture. "It couldn't have happened in an Axis country, but in America Japanese interned at the Tanforan Reception Center still have their say about who they want in the state elections. San Bruno County Clerk Ralph E. Woodman receives absentee ballots of Miss Helen Fujita, Doris Hayashi and George Yoshioka."--San Francisco News, Aug. 25, p. 6, col. 6. #1339

"Evacuees Rally To Fight Flames"

Calif. Santa Anita (INS) --Japanese evacuees at the reception center fought a fire which partially destroyed the jockeys' grandstand. The fire was brought under control last night. Cause of blaze was not determined. --San Francisco Examiner, Aug. 26, p. 2, col. 2. #1340

"Alien Travel Permits Now Under OCD"

Calif. San Francisco--"German and Italian aliens eligible for exemptions from wartime travel and curfew restrictions must obtain permits through their local Civilian Defense Council beginning Friday..." Transfer of jurisdiction was announced yesterday by Col. Karl R. Bendetsen. "Col. Bendetsen emphasized there had been no relaxing of the travel and curfew restrictions and that all provisions of the order issued in March by Gen. DeWitt remain in effect."--San Francisco Chronicle, Aug. 26, p. 13, col. 1. #1341

"Plan to Import Mexican Labor Put In Discard"

Calif. San Francisco--"The plan to import Mexican farm labor to alleviate California's critical shortage of harvest help has been dropped, it was reported yesterday. Conditions which the Farm Security Administration planned to impose on farmers, if Mexican labor was imported--conditions which California farm groups insisted could not be met--were blamed..." --San Francisco Examiner, Aug. 26, p. 5, col. 1. #1342

"Former Jap YMCA Secretary Guilty"

Calif. San Francisco--Lincoln Seiichi Kanai, 34, who fled to Milwaukee when exclusion law went into effect, was sentenced to 6 months in jail by Federal Judge Roche. He was found guilty of leaving a prohibited district and failing to report for an internment camp.--San Francisco Chronicle, Aug. 26, p. 24, col. 7. #1343

U. S. Treasury Purchased Furnishings of Empire Hotel for WRA

Calif. San Francisco--Auction of furnishings cancelled last night "after J. W. Knox, regional procurement officer of the U. S. Treasury purchased the entire lot for the WRA..."--San Francisco Chronicle, Aug. 26, p. 12, col. 8. #1344