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"County Decrees Jap Workers Must Be Fenced"

Utah

Salt Lake--"Salt Lake County commissioners decided Tuesday that interests seeking to import Japanese laborers for the beet harvest this fall should erect a fenced camp or camps for the workers. Utah-Idaho Sugar company, the Utah State Farm Bureau federation and others had asked the commission to issue a clearance for the importation of 300 Japanese to this county for harvest work... In announcing their decision, the commissioners said they would supply guards for camps erected to house the workers.. They said, however, they would have to take steps to assure that there would be no damage to the water supply or defense industries."--Salt Lake Tribune, Aug. 26, p. 14. #1391

"10,000 Japs Will Be at Cody Camp Before Winter"

Colo.

Denver (AP) --Japanese will be housed at the Heart Mountain Relocation Project. Joseph H. Smart, WRA regional director, said that "2,922 of the evacuees had arrived at the camp..."--Wyoming State Tribune (Cheyenne), Aug. 26, p. 1. #1392

"Jap Labor in Harvest Seen By Committee"

Ida.

Boise--"Farm labor groups in session here discuss outlook for fall... Present estimates indicate that about 1,500 Japanese will be available in Idaho for the heavy October and November harvest months. No Mexican labor in any quantity will be available this year..." Recommendations for improving the situation given. "We wish to point out that individual farmers or small groups of farmers may obtain Japanese labor by filling out proper papers at the U. S. employment offices. Too many now feel

that only large employers such as the sugar beet companys, are eligible," acting sub-committee chairman Richard C. Ross asserted.--Idaho Daily Statesman, Aug. 25, p. 5. #1393

"Beet Growers Ask Japanese Labor"

Mont. Hamilton (AP) --"One hundred Ravalli county sugar beet growers decided at a meeting in Corvallis to ask the U.S.E.S. and the state department of agriculture to send Japanese evacuees from the Pacific coast here to aid in the beet harvest. Tentative plans call for housing the evacuees in labor camps at Hamilton and Stevensville."--Billings Gazette, Aug. 23, p. 12. #1394

Sheridan County Farmers Ask for 300 Japanese Evacuee Laborers

Wyo. Sheridan--"...Request is being directed to military and relocation officials and is accompanied by the guarantee of the Sheridan County commissioners and peace officers for the protection of the evacuees..." --Billings Gazette, Aug. 23, p. 12. #1395

"15 Japanese Are Released From Camp"

Wash. Puyallup (INS) --"...All of those released with permission to remain in the first defense area are either married to a Caucasian or the child of one Caucasian parent..." They were released from the assembly center at Camp Harmony.--Sacramento Bee, Aug. 28, p. 10. #1396

"FSA Head to Go to Mexico to Arrange for Importation of Harvest Labor"

Calif. San Francisco--"L. I. Hewes, Jr., regional director of the Farm Security Administration here, will leave tomorrow for Mexico City to make final arrangements for importation of Mexican laborers to help harvest California crops..."--San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 1, p. 8, col. 8. #1397

"New Plan for Jap Labor in Harvesting"

Nat'l Washington (AP) --"Revised hiring procedure which is expected to stimulate recruiting of Japanese evacuees for work at prevailing pay on sugar beets and other crops of the intermountain and plains States was announced today by the WRA. Under the new plan, every farmer needing help for the harvest will make a definite offer of employment by sending to the U.S.E.S. a form showing the type of work, its probable duration, wages to be paid and the housing facilities offered. The U.S.E.S., if labor is not available from usual sources in the locality, will forward the offer to WRA for submission to the Japanese at assembly centers and relocation communities. When accepted by the evacuees, the offer becomes a binding agreement subject to termination by either party on five days' notice. Because the new plan makes a specific offer of work and wages, said Dillon S. Myer, WRA director, 'the net effect should be to speed up recruitment for vital harvest work'..."--San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 1, p. 2, col. 8. #1398