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"Attention! Potato, Beet Growers"

Idaho

Idaho Falls--Bonneville county Civilian Defense council and USA War board warned potato and sugar beet growers of an approaching labor shortage of 1200 for harvesting. "...There is no supply to draw from other than Japanese evacuees located at the reception centers and relocation centers located at Eden, Idaho, and in Oregon, Washington, and California..." Growers were given details for obtaining such labor, urged to make plans immediately.--The Post Register, Sept. 8. #1484

"Milk Shortage Felt in Cheyenne, Laramie, Casper and Cody Areas"

Wyo.

Cheyenne--Ralph H. McFarland, acting state commissioner of agriculture, minimized the seriousness of a milk shortage affecting Cheyenne, Casper, Laramie, and the Big Horn basin. "...A shortage of milk has developed in the Big Horn basin because of the demands of the Japanese relocation center near Cody, according to McFarland. Relocation authorities, he explained, sought the best grade milk precipitating a shortage of it, but have since been forced to accept lower grade milk..."--Wyoming State Tribune, Sept. 5, p. 1. #1485

"Japanese Evacuation Again"

Ore.

Portland--Editorial struck at a current pamphlet, charging "...that the evacuation order was promoted and supported by public opinion borne in large part by ancient racial prejudices, greed for the land the Japanese developed, and a popular hysteria inflamed by stories of Japanese sabotage and disloyalty in Hawaii..." The writer pointed out that evacuation was occasioned by military, not civilian, order; that Japanese

business with white people would have been hurt by an inability to distinguish between loyal and disloyal; and that government agencies were established to prevent the defrauding of the Japanese.--The Oregonian, Sept. 7, p. 4. #1486

Portland Assembly Center to be Cleared

Ore. Portland--Item dealing with withdrawal of Japanese from Portland assembly center to the Minidoka War Relocation project. "...The last group, which will number approximately 400, will move out Wednesday." --The Oregonian, Sept. 7, p. 5. #1487

"Democracy: Japs Still Vote--"

Calif. San Bruno, Cal.--Two-column picture showing Japanese from Tanforan reception center using absentee ballots in California primary election. --Arizona Republic (Phoenix), Sept. 4, p. 2. #1488

"Use of Jap Cotton Labor is Proposed"

Ariz. Phoenix--The Arizona USDA War Board appealed to Secy. of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard that Japanese evacuees from relocation projects near Poston and Sacaton be allowed to harvest Arizona's 289,000 acre cotton crop, due to reach its peak in November. "...The plan proposed by the war board urges that Japanese in the Rivers camp be permitted to volunteer for cotton picking, and that the military permit transportation of these workers. There are 200,000 acres of cotton planted within a 50-mile radius of the camp on the Sacaton reservation... The majority of the cotton crop is in areas now restricted by the army..."--Arizona Republic, Sept. 4, p. 12. #1489

"Rachford Outlines Labor Program for Japanese Colonists"

Wyo. Cody--C. E. Rachford, project director of the Heart Mountain Relocation Center declared that the availability of Japanese evacuee farm labor depended upon "...1. Filling camp with evacuees; 2. Labor needed within camp; 3. Total demand by farmers; 4. Number of colonists available for outside work on voluntary basis; 5. Public opinion in regard to safety of the colonists..." It is estimated that only 17 per cent of the evacuees at the project will be available for farm labor.--Cody Enterprise, Sept. 2, p. 1. #1490

"Blaze Destroys Boiler Room at Heart Mountain"

Wyo. Cody--Defective wiring or an overheated boiler caused a fire which destroyed the boiler room of a laundry building at the Heart Mountain project before the blaze was controlled.--Cody Enterprise, Sept. 2, p. 1. #1491

5,700 at Heart Mountain Project

Wyo. Cody--The arrival of the first group of 1,100 Japanese expected from Portland brought the total population at the Heart Mountain project to approximately 5,700. More than 9,000 in all are expected, including approximately 3,450 from the Santa Anita assembly center.--Cody Enterprise, Sept. 2, p. 1. #1492

"Life Photographer Here"

Wyo. Cody--Two column picture of Life staff writer Henry Hough and photographer Myron Davis who covered the Heart Mountain Relocation project for their magazine.--Cody Enterprise, Sept. 2, p. 1. #1493

"Repatriation Refused by Japanese Mother"

Wyo. Cody--Story of Japanese woman's refusal of repatriation offered through C. E. Rachford, WRA project supervisor. She said, "...This is my country now, it has always been good to me.'..."--Cody Enterprise, Sept. 2, p. 2. #1494

"Relocation Center Opens As Arizona's Newest City"

Ariz. Rivers--The post office for 10,000 evacuees and workers at the Gila River War Relocation center near Sacaton opened Sept. 2 as Rivers. Description of agricultural projects and living quarters given.--Arizona Republic (Phoenix), Sept. 3, p. 1, part 2. #1495

"Sweigert Cartoons Get a Nipponese 'Laurel Wreath'"

Calif. San Francisco--Chronicle cartoonist Cloyd Sweigert received complimentary mention via short wave from "Lord Haw Haw", actually Charles Yoshii, American-born University of Oregon graduate.--San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 11, p. 15, col. 4. #1496