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Summary of News from Heart Mountain Relocation Center

About 200 Japanese-Americans from the center will begin work in the bean fields of the Powell flat.

Population of center now over 8,000.

School registration under way. High school enrollment expected to be over 600.

Labor Day celebration held by colonists.

E. J. Goppert, state commander of the American Legion, and a group of Legionnaires from Cody and Powell made an official inspection of the center.

Wyo.

Private Mas H. Oyama of Fort Bliss, Texas; Private Tommy Uchida of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Private Kazuyoshi Yamano of Camp Crowder, Mo.; and another whose name was not learned are visiting their parents in the center.

Mr. M. O. Anderson regional employment officer visited the center.

Additional half block of barracks now under construction.

Mr. and Mrs. Mina Tani are the parents of a son born Friday at the Cody hospital. -- Cody Enterprise, Sept. 9, pp. 1, 5, 8. #1535

"'Heart' Proper Spelling, Powell Paper Declares"

Cody-Reprint from the Powell Tribune. Controversy over the spelling of the mountain meak after which the relocation center was named has Wyo. been settled after much discussion. The peak was named for Crow Heart and not for General Hart.--Cody Enterprise, Sept. 9, p. 4. #1536

"Unfounded Rumors Circulate About Japanese Center"

Cody--Article presents some of the rumors circulated about the Wyo. life, treatment and supervision of the Japanese at the Heart Mountain Relocation Center. Members of Enterprise staff investigated rumors and found them without foundation. Enterprise also stated that anyone hearing a rumor and wishing to verify it, should call the paper, and it will be investigated without obligation. --Cody Enterprise, Sept. 9, p. 1. #1537

"Pictorial Record of the Heart Mountain Conter's Growth

Cody-Half-page of pictures showing: "General view of camp under construction; First load of colonists arrive; A colonist Wyo. youngster and mother; Lieut. Ragan M. Newberry and Major J. C. .

Robbers (Army Engineers); In central cutting plant; Life photographers on the job."—Cody Enterprise, Sept. 9, p. 5. #1538

"One Hundred Days Old"

Wyo.

Cody—Two-column picture showing Kay Kishiyama and son Arthur at the Heart Mountain Relocation Center. "...An occasion for every father is when his first born son becomes 100 days old and an American developed custom is to have a picture on this day. As cameras are not allowed among the colonists an Enterprise photographer was asked to take this picture Cody Enterprise, Sept. 8, p. 1. #1539

"Family Groups at Heart Mountain"

· Cody—Three-column picture showing a group of families sitting
Wyo. on the steps of their new home talking with Vaughn Mechau, director
of information and reports.—Cody Enterprise, Sept. 9, p. 2.
#1540

"Japs Help Relieve Labor Shortage"

Washington (AP)--"Approximately 6,000 of the 120,000 persons who were moved from the restricted military area of the West Coast because of Japanese ancestry are helping to relieve farm labor shortages elsewhere in the U.S., officials reported today."--Los Angeles Times, Sept. 14, p. 2, part 1.

#1541

"Use of Jap Labor in Prowers Beet Fields Approved"

Lamar (AP)--County commissioners and Sheriff W.G. McGuin "signed agreements with WRA officials promising to provide policing for the Japanese while they were assigned to farms during the beet harvest. A group of about thirty beet growers attended a special commissioners' meeting and urged signing of the agreement... The Prowers county USDA war board is sending out questionnaires thru which farmers will request the number of laborers needed."--Denver Post, Sept. 10, p. 14.

#1542

"Government Asked To Pay Travel Fees Of Jap Laborers"

Boise--"Referred to the U.S. employment service Thursday was a suggestion by Gov. Chase Clark that the federal government pay the transportation cost of bringing Japanese labor into areas where they are needed for farm work. A telegram from Grover B. Hill, assistant secretary of agriculture, informed the governor that 'the matter cannot be handled at present.'..."--Idaho Daily Statesman, Sept. 11, p. 3.

#1543

Day-to-Day Employment of Japanese Laborers Now Permitted

Eden (AP)--H.L. Stafford, director of the Minidoka Relocation Project, said "regulations now permitted employment of its residents in day-to-day farm work. Farmers residing near the center may obtain workmen in the morning, returning them at night, he explained, thus eliminating the necessity of providing shelter for the Japanese."--Idaho Daily Statesman (Boise), Sept. 13, p. 8.

#1544

"FBI Opens New Raids on California Enemy Aliens"

San Francisco--Of 1204 aliens taken into custody in northern California since Pearl Harbor for violations of curfew and other Calif. regulations, 607 are Japanese, 344 Italian, and 256 German, the FBI disclosed today.--San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 17, p. 13, col. 2.

#1545

"Japanese Spy Seized in East"

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N.Y.

New York (AP)--".A Japanese who had maps of the New York Citwater supply system and statistics on U.S. war areas was one of ten enemy aliens apprehended in this area by the FBI, P.E. Foxworth, assistant director of the FBI said today..." The Japanese, whose name was not revealed, is being held at Ellis Island for internment.--San Francisco Examiner, Sept. 17, p. 2, col. 2.

#1546

"Two Bay Japs Held By FBI"

San Francisco--Mrs. Suku Itashiki and Ryasaburo Ito from the Tanforan assembly center were being held by the FBI in Redwood City for questioning concerning alleged subversive activities before the Japanese roundup.---San Francisco Examiner, Sept. 17, p. 3, col. 6.

#1547

"\$2,000,000 Alien Camp in Colorado"

Washington (INS) -- Senator Johnson, D. Colorado, revealed that a \$2,000,000 alien interment camp near Trinidad, Colo., Colo. planned to house at least 3,000, would be under construction soon. -- San Francisco Examiner, Sept. 17, p. 5, col. 3.

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