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Japanese Labor To Be Voluntary

Denver (AP)---Joseph H. Smart, regional WRA director, explained that sixty-three per cent of evacuees at relocation centers are American citizens and therefore cannot be drafted for work against their will. "... Colo. 'Forced labor of alien Japanese also is prohibited by an agreement between the U.S. and Japan extending the Geneva convention of 1929 to include civilian internees.'---Billings Gazette, September 18, p. 9.

#1602

"FBI Reports Seizure of Ten Enemy Aliens"

New York---P. E. Foxworth, assistant director of the FBI, announced that seven Germans, two Italians and a Japanese had been taken into custody. "...The oriental was said to have expressed bland indifference concerning the outcome of the war, since he expected to gain by a N.Y. Japanese victory, and to receive easy treatment if the United Nations are victorious. In the home of the Japanese, Mr. Foxworth revealed, Federal agents found maps of the New York City water supply system, notebooks crammed with vital statistics on many Allied strongholds, and considerable obscene literature..."---New York Times, September 17, p. 8.

#1603

Santa Anita Internee Sentenced For Failure To Register As Alien

Los Angeles---Hisao Yosida, Canadian-born Santa Anita internee, was sentenced to four months in the county jail for not registering as an Calif. alien. Judge Harry Hollzer asked for his deportation to Canada, should immigration rules provide for it. Yosida declared that he did not know Canadians had to register.--Los Angeles Times, September 19, p. 5, pt. 2.

#1604

"Farmers Market Today"

Los Angeles--Fred Beck column dealt with two women florists and commented, "...What's happened in the flower trade is that the Japanese growers are completely out of the picture--and the higher price you'd pay currently for asters, dahlias and 'mums is a small enough price to pay for having gotten the aforementioned Jap growers hithered hence from these parts..."--Los Angeles Times, September 19, p. 2. #1605

"Japs to Live In Arkansas"

Little Rock (AP)--"The vanguard of some 20,000 Japanese who will be housed for the duration in two southeast Arkansas government colonies, will arrive late this week, Regional Director E. B. Whitaker of the WRA said Monday night."--Idaho Daily Statesman (Boise), September 16, p. 6. #1606

"Harvest Labor Deterred By False Rumors"

Tulelake--The Tulelake Chamber of Commerce announced receiving letters from migrant workers who had previously worked in the Tulelake districts and who are not returning this year because of the belief that evacuee labor will be used. An effort was being made through letters and proposed bulletins to clarify the situation and to inform those concerned that labor is needed urgently.--Tulelake Reporter, September 17, p. 1. #1607

Beet Growers Face Harvest Crisis

Helena (AP)--Senator B. K. Wheeler and Charles Murray, secretary to Senator James E. Murray conferred with a group of sugar beet growers and processors concerning the critical need for agricultural workers in Montana beet fields. "...Senator Wheeler, after listening to statements on labor needs by approximately 25 beetmen from every area of the state, told the growers that he would confer, on his return from Washington, with Dillon Meyer, WRA chief, who controls the disposition of approximately 100,000 interned Japanese..."--Montana Standard (Butte), September 18, p. 5. #1608

"Newell is State's Largest City North of Sacramento"

Newell--In an address to the Yreka Lions Club, Elmer L. Shirrell, project director, declared Newell, with its 15,165 population, to be the state's largest city north of Sacramento. Shirrell also explained the evacuees' financial and political position, and outlined some of the difficulties encountered in constructing the camp. "...But all of them, he warned, wonder what will be their fate when the war is finally over and they begin again to mingle with Caucasians..."--Sacramento Bee, September 21, p. 6. #1609

"Soldier Greets Family"

Cody--Two-column picture of Private Tommy Uchida of Fort Leonard Wyo. Wood, spending his furlough with his mother and small sister at the Heart Mountain relocation project.--Cody Enterprise, September 16, p. 4.
#1610

"Rachford Welcomes Soldiers"

Cody--Three-column picture of C. A. Rachford, head of the Heart Mountain project, welcoming Privates Mas Oyama, Tommy Uchida, and Kazuposki Yomano, visiting their families at the center.--Cody Enterprise, September 16, p. 5.
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