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"Activities of Heart Mountain, Wyoming"

Wyo. Cody--First of a series of weekly columns by Bill Hosokawa, former reporter for the Seattle Courier and the Singapore Herald and present assistant to Vaughn Mechau, reports officer for the Heart Mountain Project. The introductory article laid the foundation for future ones, describing the Issei and Nisei and the problems they face in attempting to adjust themselves to life in a community which in a month "...lept from a ghost town of row on row of empty barracks to the third largest city in the state..."--Cody Enterprise, September 16, p. 5. #1612

"Districts Hiring Japs Must Guard Them, Carr Says"

Colo. Denver--Gov. Ralph L. Carr declared that communities wanting to employ Japanese evacuee labor must provide for the protection of those laborers and that the state will assume no responsibility for such protection. "...Gov. Carr said he did not anticipate any trouble in areas where Japanese are employed. Such employment, he said, was to be wholly voluntary and would involve only parties that desired to employ Japanese and Japanese who desired to work... 'Of course, if a serious emergency should arise, the state would act to provide what protection would be necessary, but the state is ready to do this only in serious emergencies involving any community or group when local protection proves inadequate,' the governor said."--Denver Post, September 18, p. 7. #1613

"Court Upholds Military Order"

Ariz. Phoenix--Editorial criticized ACLU decision to petition Supreme Court for final decision in the Korematsu case contesting the constitutionality of evacuating the Japanese. "...It is questionable whether



an appeal can be taken in this case since the ACLU announces it will not raise the issue on appeal of the general constitutional power of removal of citizens from military zones since it concedes that point, but will contend the application of that power to all persons of Japanese blood regardless of their loyalty is unreasonable and discriminatory..." The writer deemed the union's action pointless in view of its statement that it does not hope to undo evacuation, but rather to compel the authorities "...to discriminate between American citizens of Japanese blood and to determine who should be released and who should not..." He pointed out the military's power to say who should and who should not be evacuated and its corollary power of specifying that loyal citizens should fall into the latter category. "...Because of the great difficulty in ascertaining that fact, the orders were sweeping and included all Japanese--citizens and aliens alike. We suspect most of the Japanese wanted it that way regardless of their loyalty."--Arizona Republic, September 19, p. 7, pt. 2. #1614

#### "Jap Pickers Expected Soon"

Phoenix--"Although no Japanese volunteers from the evacuee relocation camp at Sacaton will be sent to pick long staple cotton today, authorities of the camp were hopeful the first squads could be on the job tomorrow, after further conference yesterday afternoon among representatives of the agencies concerned..." Dan J. Sullivan, Pinal County manager for the U.S.E.S. said the response from the Japanese had been very encouraging. Earl Maharg, secretary of the Arizona Farm Bureau Federation and liaison officer for obtaining cotton picking help, conferred with Brig. Gen. C. K. Brown concerning the areas where the Japanese will be sent. Gen. Brown was sent by Lieut. Gen. J. L. DeWitt to supervise the army's job of patrolling the exterior boundaries of such areas.--Arizona Republic, September 17, p. 6. #1615

#### "Officials Object to Jap Beet Hands in El Paso County"

Colorado Springs (AP)--"Because El Paso county has war industries, an army camp and an army air base, three county officials declared Thursday they would not take the responsibility of bringing Japanese workers into this area for the sugar beet harvest. This position was taken by E. R. Knight, chairman of the board of commissioners; Robert H. Lagrange, county attorney, and Sheriff Samuel J. Deal in a request made Monday by S. T. Geiger of the U.S.E.S...."--Denver Post, September 17, p. 11. #1616

#### Summary of News from Manzanar

Roy L. Nash, who has been director of the relocation center since Calif. May 15, will leave to accept a federal position as head of the Brazil-Ecuador unit in the American Hemisphere Division, Board of Economic Warfare.



Prize vegetables from the center were on display in the window of Chalfant Press in Lone Pine. A similar display was made in Bishop.

Wild Sierra Roses growing in the Center are being grafted to 50 types of domestic roses in the one-acre plot of the Victory Garden. They are being grafted under the direction of Akira Nishi, nationally known breeder and grower of roses.

In the column Off The Beaten Path by George W. Savage. "Recently a Manzanar Japanese youngster wrote her former school teacher in Los Angeles: 'This is a beautiful spot, but the big trouble is that when you look out of the window all you can see is Japanese.'"--Inyo Independent (Independence), September 18, pp. 1, 3, 2. #1617

"3,500 Japs to Leave Tanforan for Central Utah"

San Francisco--"Transfer of 3,500 Bay Area Japanese from the Tanforan assembly center to the Central Utah relocation center, 140 miles south of Salt Lake City, will begin tomorrow... The movement Calif. will continue, by train, at the rate of 500 a day until completed, according to the WCCA. Approximately 4,300 of the original Tanforan population of 7,800 have already been moved to the Utah center, which is near Abraham, Millard county!"--San Francisco Chronicle, September 25, p. 2, col. 4. #1618

"Return of Japs to State Opposed"

Sacramento (INS)--"California Association of Nurserymen, in a Calif. convention here, today expressed determination to keep the Japanese from returning to California after the war..." Text of resolution given.--San Francisco Examiner, September 25, p. 7, col. 4. #1619