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"YMCA To Aid Jap Evacuees"

Phoenix--"The Japanese evacuees in WRA centers at Sacaton and Parker will be encouraged to set up Young Men's Christian Association programs of their own, George B. Corwin, assigned by the national council of the YMCA to the project, said yesterday, after visits to the two centers in Arizona ..."--Arizona Republic, September 30, p. 4. #1726

"Legion Scores Admission of Japs to College"

Ill. Chicago (INS) --"The question of whether four American-born Japanese should be admitted to Elmhurst college, in suburban Elmhurst, Ill., rocked that community Wednesday. The controversy arose when T. H. B. post No. 187, American Legion, protested the enrollment of the students as 'detrimental to the community and prejudicial to the morale of those serving with our armed forces.'" President Timothy Lehman of the college announced last spring that the students were to be admitted this fall through WRA. No objections were raised following the announcement. Paul Meyer, head of the college's student refugee committee, challenged the legion's protest. Meyer said: "'What could be more detrimental to the community than to adopt the fascist technique of group persecution and to deny these students their rights as citizens?'" The college board of trustees will decide the issue within two weeks.--Salt Lake Tribune, October 1, p. 10. #1727

"Japanese Girl Barred From Hunter College"

N.Y. New York--Miss Mutzu Suzuki, 18, "born and educated in this country and who has declared her intentions of remaining an American citizen when she reaches her majority, has been denied permission to enter Hunter College because her parents are living in Japan..." The girl being a minor was automatically barred from registering in any of the four city colleges because "of an existing State law which prohibits the admission of persons who legally do not live in New York City.--New York Times, September 30, p. 25. #1728



"Local FBI Arrests Jap"

Phoenix--Henry Tadao Yoshiga, 53 registered alien, was arrested in downtown Phoenix. "Yoshiga had a military travel permit which federal officers said had been issued by an employee of the Wartime Civil Control Council May 6." Permit specified places where Yoshiga could go in Phoenix but "federal officials pointed out the permit should only have been issued for a changing of residence and can not be legally used as a means of free entry into a restricted area. Yoshiga said he thought the permit covered such visits, and he admitted coming into town whenever business required since May 6. "He is being held by the FBI for probable hearing before an alien restrictions board. If found guilty, he will join 42 other Japanese from this area who already have been sent to an internment camp for the duration."--Arizona Republic, October 3, p. 7. #1729

"Jap Chef Saved By Dinner Bell"

Los Angeles (AP) --Yoshimu Higa "admitted to Federal Judge Hollzer that he made false statements regarding the date of his entry into the U.S. and was about to be sentenced when immigration officers protested they couldn't spare his cooking. Higa is a cook at the Jap assembly center where he was arrested on presidential order. He was given probation so that the assembly center cuisine wouldn't suffer."--Arizona Republic (Phoenix), October 6, p. 2. #1730

"Postoffice Established At Relocation Center"

Hunt (AP) --Russell Dardson of Idaho Falls has been appointed superintendent of the postal station of Hunt to be operated as a branch of the Twin Falls office. "The relocation center is named after Wilson Price Hunt, one of the early day explorers and fur traders who first traveled the route that became later the Old Oregon Trail."--Idaho Daily Statesman (Boise), October 5, p. 2. #1731

"Japanese Servant Of Royal Rank Held"

Waterloo (INS) --"An unidentified Japanese who told FBI men he holds the title of prince conferred by the emperor, was held Monday pending hearing of the northern Iowa alien board. According to J. L. Dalton, chief of the FBI in Iowa, the Jap, a former reserve officer in the Japanese army, was employed as a domestic."--Denver Post, October 5, p. 14. #1732

"Beet Hands Needed Badly Says Sugar Firm Official"

Salt Lake--"The agricultural labor situation is looking worse every day, Douglas E. Scalley, president of the U. S. Beet Sugar association and vice president and general manager of the Utah-Idaho Sugar company, declared Monday on his return from a meeting of the industry in Denver." Mr. Scalley said: "...Less than half the supply of migratory labor normally available for work in the beet fields now is available, although we have obtained from 4000 to 5000 Japanese workers in Utah and Idaho."--Salt Lake Tribune, October 6, p. 13. #1733



"Delay Is Sought In Jap's Trial"

Phoenix--Counsel for Dr. Hiroshi Ben Inouye, 40-year-old former Glendale alien Japanese physician, accused of causing the death of a Caucasian woman by performance of an abortion, Saturday asked for an indefinite postponement of the trial. "The attorney's, Gene Cunningham and Noel Gray, told Superior Judge Arthur T. LaPrade that a fair and impartial trial cannot be obtained because 'hostile sentiment and dangerous prejudice now existing' would tend to influence testimony and the jury against the doctor. They also set forth that Dr. Inouye has been since March 20 in the Japanese relocation center at Poston and that they have been unable properly to confer, consult with and advise the defendant and properly and diligently prepare for trial..."--Arizona Republic, October 5, p. 6. #1734

Ariz.

"Japanese Evacuees Labor In Klamath County"

Klamath Falls--"Japanese men from the relocation center at Newell may be employed on Klamath county projects under certain conditions, it was learned here Thursday from Sheriff Lloyd L. Low. Twenty Japanese have been employed by the Great Northern railway at La. Pine, it was reported Saturday..."--Herald and News, October 5, p. 2. #1735

Ore.

"Sportsmen, Farmers Ask No More Newell Hunt Closure"

Klamath Falls--Feature story. "Public resentment to what one sports official called the 'internment of the Caucasian population' in the Tulalake-Camp Newell area came out in the open Sunday in a Tulalake hearing where farmers and hunters went on record as opposing any additional closure of shooting grounds adjacent to the Japanese relocation center. The hearing Calif. was conducted by the California Fish and game commission under the auspices of the Tulalake-Butte Valley sportsman's association and attended by close to 200 farmers, hunters and government officials. It dealt with a WRA request to close a  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile zone around the camp to public shooting. The WRA maintains that 'the influx of hunters would act disastrously for the Japanese interned at the center.'..."--Herald and News, October 5, p. 1. #1736

"Treat Japanese As U. S. Citizens, Residents Told"

Twin Falls--"Anticipating the increasing appearance of Japanese on Twin Falls streets, with many of them working on farms near here, Sheriff Ida. W. W. Lowery today warned against interference with, or showing incivility for, the evacuee visitors..."--Times-News, October 5, p. 2. #1737



140 Japanese Arrive to Help in Beet Fields

Ida. Idaho Falls (AP) ---"...The Japanese who arrived this morning did not come from the relocation center at Eden, but were recruited in California. An additional 140 are expected to arrive from California Friday morning. The evacuees are being assigned to farms throughout the upper Snake river valley," Paul Scalley, Idaho manager for the Utah-Idaho sugar company, said. ---Idaho Daily Statesman (Boise), October 2, p. 8. #1738

"Need for Sugar Beet Workers Said Urgent"

Mont. Helena (AP) ---"The need for sugar beet workers in eastern Montana, especially between Miles City and Sidney, is acute, the U.S.E.S. said Friday. Although requests of farmers in other sections of the state for Japanese evacuees and other labor help have not been entirely filled, their need is not as urgent as that of the eastern growers, the service said."---Billings Gazette, October 3, p. 8. #1739

"865 Jap Evacuees To Harvest Beets"

Colo. Denver (AP) ---"A total of 865 volunteers from the Japanese evacuation camp near Cody, Wyo., have signed up to work in Montana and Wyoming sugar beet fields, Joseph H. Smart, regional director of the WRA, announced Saturday..." Distribution of workers, and conditions for granting leaves for harvest work given.--Billings Gazette, October 3, p. 8. #1740

"Camp Calls Last Jap"

Ore. Portland--Hitoshi Watanabe, 32, was on his way to the Minidoka WRA project at Eden, it was revealed by Roy J. Norene, divisional director of immigration and naturalization. The Japanese, who was arrested at the University of Oregon in March and made the object of deportation proceedings, had been held in custody at the county jail. Arrangements were finally made by Norene so that Watanabe could put up \$500 bond, thus opening the way for him to be removed from this area. Watanabe was arrested for deportation proceedings when he was accused of failing to maintain his exempt status as a student..."The Oregonian, October 3, p. 4, part 3. #1741

"134 Alaskans at Japanese Center"

Ida. Hunt--Many of the 134 Japanese at the Minidoka Center who came from Alaska have never seen or associated with full-blooded Japanese before being brought to the center. Neither do they speak nor understand the Japanese language.--Times-News (Twin Falls), October 4, p. 12. #1742

"Utah Japanese Gather Scrap"

Utah Salt Lake City (UP) ---"Members of Japanese-American Citizens League here announced today they have gathered 16,000 pounds of scrap metal for the Utah salvage drive." Money received by the league will be turned over to the USO.--San Francisco News, October 10, p.2, col. 4. #1743



Son of Japanese Father, English Mother Pleaded Guilty to Violation of Japanese Ban

San Francisco--Morris E. Suyetomi, 23, said, "he hated the Japanese so much that he preferred to go to jail rather than be sent with them to a relocation camp."--San Francisco Chronicle, October 10, p. 5, col. 8.

#1744

Japanese Guilty of Giving Travel Permit to Another

San Francisco--Toshio Sonada, 18, pleaded to charges of giving his travel permit to Kazue Kabushaki, 20, "enabling the latter to leave the Tule Lake relocation center. Kabushaki, arrested at Sand Point, Idaho has requested repatriation to Japan. Sonada declared he surrendered his permit only after Kabushaki had beaten him."--San Francisco Chronicle, October 10, p. 5, col. 8.

#1745

"Montana Citizens Aroused by Use of Japanese Field Workers to Save Sugar Beet Harvest"

Missoula--Feature story by Glenn Chaffin (North American Newspaper Alliance). "'The Japs bombed Pearl Harbor without warning, didn't they? Yeah, I know these birds here now are supposed to be friendly. They were then, too. It's a perfect set-up for the kind of infiltration and fifth column tactics they're masters at and I don't like it.' All this from an aroused and pessimistic John Q. Citizen who asked me not to reveal his name after I'd convinced him it was better than an even bet that he was crying wolf in the face of a crop-salvage experiment that was trying the hearts of strong men who had far more at stake than we... To the fearful, doubtful and irate citizens who resent the influx of the 'Nips,' Frank A. Cleland, district manager of the American Crystal Sugar Company has this to say: 'The WPB and other government agencies have classed growing of sugar beets and the manufacture of sugar as agricultural activities essential to the national welfare... To many responsible farmers (names given) Japanese labor is a plain means of crop salvage... From a strictly reportorial viewpoint of conditions in the Western Montana farm belt, I'd say that the controversy aroused by the importation of Japanese labor still is in the merry-go-round stage. The music won't stop until the crops are laid by. The Japs are here now and by contract agreement (allowing for the five-day cancellation clause) they're here to stay until December 11, when they are to be taken back to the relocation centers whence they came. Whether or not they return next year depends wholly on a reasonable adjustment of present problems.'"

Mont. --San Francisco Chronicle, October 12, p. 2, col. 5.

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