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(This issue of the DAILY PRESS REVIEW includes a digest of the most important news items, articles and editorials appearing in newspapers and periodicals reaching the San Francisco Regional Office in the last 24 hours. If you wish to refer to any clippings, please telephone Miss Elinor Bauman, Head of the Documents Section, Branch 300, Room 302.)

"Relocation Camp Conditions Good"

Idaho Boise (UP)--"Conditions at the Japanese evacuee relocation center at Hunt, Idaho, are 'entirely satisfactory,' Dr. E. L. Berry, state public health director, said on his return today..."--Twin Falls Times-News, November 12, p. 1. #2063

"Emery Co. Coal Goes to Japanese Camp at Delta"

Idaho Thirty thousand tons of coal are being transported from the Castle Valley mine and the Deer Creek mine in Huntington canyon for heating purposes. U. S. government trucks operated by Japanese residents are hauling the coal.--Millard County Chronicle, November 12, p. 8. #2064

"Relocation Camp Subject of Talk"

Idaho Eden--Mrs. C. O. Roice described her visit to the Minidoka War Relocation Project before a meeting of church members.--Twin Falls Times-News, November 12, p. 3. #2065

"Buhl Kiwanis at Relocation Camp"

Idaho Hunt--Fifty persons, members of the Buhl Kiwanis club and their wives, visited the Minidoka Relocation Project. Members of the Shoshone Rotary club also visited the project recently.--Twin Falls Times-News, November 12, p. 14. #2066

One Hundred Seventy Japanese Volunteers Help Scrap Drive

Idaho Millard County ended its scrap drive, after securing the aid of 170 Japanese from the Minidoka Relocation Project. "These volunteers included Japanese from the City Council there and on down to teen age boys. They were brought to Delta by trucks and put to work. The noon meal was furnished the men and later in the evening they were returned to camp. The Japanese loaded the trucks for the drivers and almost loaded a carload of cast iron for shipment.... The Japanese were most

enthusiastic about the day and many of them asked if it was possible to have another drive so that they could help..."--Millard County Chronicle, November 12, p. 1. #2067

"Japanese all Needed for Project Work"

Calif. "The idea that Japanese in Relocation Centers might be available for farm labor outside these projects was exploded recently by a survey made at the Rivers (Sacaton) Center, in Arizona, and reported in the Arizona Farmer. The survey was made by a Farm Bureau Committee... A survey was made of projects which the WRA has ordered the Japanese to complete... Net result will be a lack of approximately 600 laborers with which to carry on projects which have been definitely ordered..."--Western Grower and Shipper (Los Angeles), November, Vol. 13, No. 12, p. 15. #2068

"5 Japanese Hurt as Truck Upsets"

Idaho Gooding--"Five residents of the Minidoka relocation center were injured...when the truck in which they were riding overturned..." Eleven residents who had been working for a fruit and produce company at Payette were being driven back to the project. "Deputy Sheriff Sherman Stump said the company which formerly employed the men told him it would pay hospital expenses of the injured..."--Twin Falls Times-News, November 12, p. 2. #2069

Letters to the Editor

Calif. Sacramento--J. M. Inman protests strongly against the proposal to move 160,000 Japanese from the Hawaiian Islands to the United States; he says a great majority of them will infiltrate into California. "To add this to California's Japanese problem would, in my judgment, prove unwise and unfair to California... The war has returned many white persons to farm ownership and farm work who were driven from that pursuit by the Japanese..."--Sacramento Bee, November 16, p. 20. #2070

Suisun--A "Farmer" objects to "spending thousands of dollars" educating the Japanese "so that the next generation can stab us in the back again, perhaps more successfully the next time... They have proved definitely in the last few decades that they cannot be assimilated with other Americans socially or economically..."--Sacramento Bee, November 10, p. 26. #2071

Auburn--Another "Farmer" agrees with the writer from Suisun. In regard to the evacuation, he quotes a Japanese girl who was a Placer Union High School graduate as having said, "Yes, we are leaving today, but twenty years from now we will stay and you will go..."--Sacramento Bee, November 16, p. 19. #2072

Equipment Installed at Minidoka

Hunt--Equipment for a morgue is being installed at the Minidoka Relocation Project. When the head nurse went into the morgue to inspect equipment she saw paper labels on three compartments. "They read: 'Reserved for Mussolini'; 'Reserved for Adolf Hitler'; 'Reserved for Tojo.'..."--Twin Falls Times-News, November 12, p. 8. #2073

"Items from Topaz"

In a report given by Dr. Carl Hirota, council chairman, it was revealed that of the 8000 evacuee residents, more than 5000 are citizens. Only 500 of the residents were familiar with farm work, yet more than 700 had left Topaz for such work.

A city-wide memorial service, sponsored by the Community Council of Topaz, was held for the late PFC Isaac Tsuno at the civic center.

Utah

"Authorization for the purchase of 200 head of cattle was received at Topaz, Central Utah Relocation Project, from Washington..."

"Silk production is now being discussed by the agricultural research department of Topaz as a possible industry to be undertaken by the Central Utah Relocation Project, according to Hiroshi Koromatsu of the research department... 'If the project is considered feasible, silkworms will probably be secured from some experimental stations in the United States'."

A letter from a girl who left Topaz for turkey picking is quoted. She describes the work thoroughly and says, "being at American Fork is really a treat."--Millard County Chronicle, November 12, pp. 1, 8.

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More than \$130,000 Deposited in Yokohama Specie Bank

It was revealed yesterday by S. M. Saroyan, attorney for State Bank Examiner George Knox, that more than \$130,000 had been deposited in the Calif. Yokohama Specie Bank to expedite the repatriation of Japanese. "The money began coming to the ...Bank late in October, the first deposit being \$68,000. From then on, frequent deposits were made and quickly withdrawn..." --San Francisco Chronicle, November 19, p. 15.

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