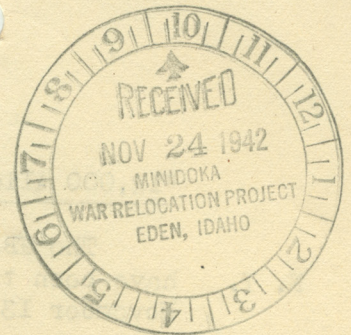


WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
San Francisco Regional Office
Information Division



Vol. VII, No. 6

DAILY PRESS REVIEW

November 20, 1942

(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 362.)

"Jap Farm Workers in Moapa Opposed"

Nev. Las Vegas--"The Clark county civilian defense council this week was making efforts to forestall the importation into Moapa Valley of one hundred Japanese to work on farms there." Twelve Japanese are reported to have taken up residence on a farm in the valley, with the number expected to reach one hundred. "The executive board of the council claimed that the group recently hired boats for a 'fishing expedition' on Lake Mead, but returned shortly before dark. The council also claimed that a number of cars belonging to the Japanese were equipped with spotlights and radios. The Lake Mead shoreline, on which Moapa valley borders, is virtually unprotected and the defense council pointed out that the area could be used to sabotage Boulder dam..."--Reno Evening Gazette, November 16, p. 5. #2076

"Japs Impose Strict Rules"

Wash., D.C. Washington (AP)--"Japanese military authorities were reported by an American official observer today to have imposed an iron rule on the Philippines and Malaya, shooting without trial anyone who ventures into forbidden zones... the observer, who went nameless, said the mere presence of a civilian on a cleared road meant death..."--Reno Evening Gazette, November 16, p. 5. #2077

"Army Rule on Citizen Termed Nil"

Ore. "In an opinion with wide implications Federal Judge James Alger Fee Monday ruled that in the absence of martial law the military command has no power to regulate the life and conduct of the ordinary American citizen" The case of a Japanese lawyer who had violated curfew regulations is cited.--The Oregonian (Portland), November 17 p. 1. #2078

"12,000 Aliens Seized"

N. Y. The FBI revealed that since Pearl Harbor nearly 12,000 enemy aliens have been taken into custody in this country.--New York Times, November 13, p. 24. #2079

"Can't Pick SxP and Now Ask Us to Plant More"

Ariz. American-Egyptian cotton producers were asked to increase their plantings this year, but the crop is now unpicked due to difficulties in obtaining sufficient labor. "Now the Government advises that 1943 plantings of SxP cotton shall be almost doubled... But crops that the Government desires in 1943 can not be produced in the Pacific Southwest without Government assistance..." A free flow of Mexican labor to the U.S. and non-interference with production and labor problems by Federal agencies are advocated.--Arizona Farmer (Phoenix), November 7, vol. 21, no. 22, pp. 10, 18. #2080

"Col. Bendetsen Honored Over Moving Japs"

Calif. "The Distinguished Service Medal was en route to San Francisco from Washington today for Colonel Karl R. Bendetsen, chief of the Wartime Civil Control Administration for the Western Defense Command..." He was responsible for the successful evacuation of 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast.--San Francisco Call-Bulletin, November 19, p. 26. #2081

"...Search Starts for \$700,000 Missing From Yokohama Bank Here"

Calif. "Search started yesterday for at least \$700,000 and possibly between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000 missing from the Yokohama Specie Bank of San Francisco and believed cached some place in the United States... Glicksberg (attorney for Sterling Carr, bankruptcy trustee) said this money may have been transferred to branches in New York, Chicago and Seattle but said he was positive it was not returned to Japan..." -- San Francisco Chronicle, November 20, p. 14. #2082

"Insane Jap Flees Stockton Asylum"

Calif. Stockton--A paranoiac Japanese evacuee, Katsuo Mogi, brought to the Stockton State Hospital last June has escaped "and is the object of a statewide police search today..."--San Francisco Examiner, November 20, p. 9. #2083

"Only Soldier Pickers can Save Our SxP Cotton Crop"

Ariz. Many colored soldiers, themselves expert at picking cotton, are being used to guard Japanese evacuees at work as cotton pickers. "Away less cotton has been picked by the Japanese than the soldiers assigned to guard them could have picked in one week..."--Arizona Farmer (Phoenix), November 7, vol. 21, no. 22, p. 1. #2084