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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 362.)

"Manzanar Relocation Chief Named"

Calif. "Appointment of Ralph P. Merritt as director of the Manzanar Relocation Project was announced yesterday by the War Relocation Authority. Merritt's appointment was disclosed by Dillon S. Myer, national director of the War Relocation Authority, who is in San Francisco for conferences with local WRA officials..."--San Francisco Chronicle, November 27, p. 11. #2119

Aliens Employed in Shipyards

"Under orders of the United States Maritime Commission, all San Francisco and Pacific Coast shipyards under contract to the USMC have been prohibited from employing enemy aliens and friendly aliens who have not applied for citizenship, it was learned today...."--San Francisco News, November 26, p. 1. #2120

Calif. "United States Maritime Commission officials yesterday denied reports that there had been a change in policy affecting employment of enemy and friendly aliens in Bay Area shipyards... 'Very few shipyard workers are affected by these long-time regulations... They are primarily intended to keep non-citizens from employment in confidential work'..."--San Francisco Chronicle, November 27, p. 13. #2121

"All shipyards under contract to the United States Maritime Commission yesterday were ordered to inform the Commission before hiring enemy aliens as shipyard workers..."--San Francisco Examiner, November 27, p. 5. #2122

Conflicts in Relocation Camps

Editorial: "For humane reasons and to obviate propoganda charges
Calif. that the Japanese evacuees are being abused, steps should be taken to
stop the disturbances that occur in villages established as a war measure..."
--San Francisco Chronicle, November 27, p. 14. #2123

"Japs Settle Row at Evacuee Camp"

Washington (AP)--"Commissioner John Collier of the Office of Indian
Affairs said today that a disturbance in the Japanese relocation center at
Wash., Poston, Ariz., on Indian territory, had been settled by an agreement to let
D.C. the camp's self rule government iron out its difficulties..."--San Francisco
Examiner, November 26, p. 12. #2124

"Mexicans Fill California Jobs"

The Mexican consulate in Sacramento announced that "Mexican farm
laborers have found ample opportunities for work in California, and added
Calif. that the workers were doing a good job."--San Francisco Examiner, November
27, p. 3. #2125

Classes in Japanese

Calif. "The largest enrollment in any extension course by the University
of California is first year Japanese..."--San Francisco Chronicle, November
27, p. 4. #2126

"Probation for Seattle Jap"

San Francisco (AP)--"Toshio Sonoda, eighteen, of Seattle was given
a year's probation yesterday after pleading guilty to conspiracy to
Calif. violate military regulations governing the Tule Lake Japanese relocation
camp, and was sent back to that resettlement center..."--Seattle Post-
Intelligencer, November 20, p. 3. #2127

"No Pickers"

Editorial: The cotton crop in Arizona is still unpicked, as labor-
ers have not been found to replace the Japanese taken off the job. "Using
Ariz. 830 soldiers to guard 160 pickers just didn't make sense."--Arizona Farmer
(Phoenix), November 21, vol. 21, no. 23, p. 11. #2128

"Activities of Heart Mountain Wyoming"

Heart Mountain--In a meeting of evacuee leaders and members of the
Caucasian administrative staff, many problems of the evacuees were brought
Wyo. to light in such a manner as to promote a better all around understand-
ing.--The Cody Enterprise, November 18, p. 2. #2129

Notes on Gila River Project

"Fourteen American Legionnaires, some of them with notable American Expeditionary Force records in World War I, are included among the Japanese American citizens in the Gila River Relocation Center near Rivers... One of these men was awarded the Order of the Purple Heart, while another was a flying instructor in World War I..."--Arizona Republic (Phoenix), November 22, sec. 3, p. 4. #2130

Ariz. Four officially approved WRA photos show various activities at Gila River Project.--Arizona Republic, November 22, sec. 6, p. 3.

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The construction of the Gila River Relocation Project, basic administration, and water supply are described.--Arizona Republic (Phoenix), November 22, sec. 4, p. 6.

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"Indicative of the profound changes which are being brought about in Arizona by war conditions, one of the state's outstanding vegetable farms, and a garnishing net factory, have sprung up overnight at Rivers, 50 miles from Phoenix in the vicinity of Sacaton..." The article goes on to describe minutely the workings of the project.--Arizona Republic (Phoenix), November 22, sec. 1, p. 9.

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