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"No Scarce Foods for Japs, Army Buyers Report"

Calif. It was announced by Mr. Bates of the War Relocation Authority, that "purchases of food for Japanese in assembly centers have been adjusted to conform with national rationing programs.... Shortages of some foods such as coffee and meat have scarcely affected the planning of meals, he pointed out, since most Japanese prefer tea to coffee and do not eat large quantities of fresh meats..."--San Francisco News, November 30, p. 8.

#2147

"200 Americans Arrested in Shanghai"

Wash. D.C. Washington--"Secy. of State Hull said today Americans were being arrested by the Japanese in Shanghai and other Far Eastern cities.... The arrests were said to be in retaliation for 'bad treatment' of Japanese in American hands. The Japanese press has been complaining about the treatment of Japanese in United Nations' territory, including the enforced movement of Japanese from the West Coast of the United States..."--San Francisco News, November 30, p. 5.

#2148

"FBI to Check Jap Text Book"

Calif. "FBI agents today were checking the movements of G. Takata, 58, a Japanese, prior to his death in a ... hotel... Of particular interest to the FBI were 20 textbooks in Japanese dealing with firearms, explosives and gases, which were found in the man's room.... Nat J. L. Pieper, head of the local FBI office, ...explained it would not be impossible for a Japanese, posing as a Chinese, to remain in the city despite military restrictions..."--San Francisco News, November 30, p. 8.

#2149

"S.L. Housing Lack Forces WRA to Halt Jap Influx"

Utah "The war relocation authority...has now frozen all permits to the Pacific coast evacuees which would enable them to come to Salt Lake City for purposes of job-seeking and settlement. The reason given for the permit freezing...is that Salt Lake City is too over-populated at present, and cannot accommodate properly those already in the city, according to spokesmen of the Japanese-American Citizens' league... The JAACL is now ready to send a staff of men from its Salt Lake national headquarters to the middle west to look into work opportunities for the evacuees there."--Salt Lake Tribune, November 25, p. 12. #2150

"Sewing Project Opens at Heart Mountain"

Wyo. Heart Mountain--"Completing 1,560 aprons as their first assignment, a sewing project employing 26 skilled tailors and fashion designers is working under the direction of Glen Hartman, head of agriculture and industries..."--The Billings Gazette, November 22, p. 19. #2151

"Items from Topaz"

Maxim Schapiro, noted Russian pianist, spent three days visiting at Topaz.

The hospital is making arrangements to maintain a blood reservoir.

Latest figures on employment show that 21 persons left for various types of positions in Salt Lake City, one took domestic work in Delta, and 19 sugar beet workers returned to Topaz from various parts of Utah.

About 10 tons of tin cans have been collected. The maintenance division hopes to improvise a baler so that the cans may be sent to war industries.

Utah "The coffee ration...will not affect the residents as the City is not consuming the ration quota..."

Births at Topaz: A boy and a girl.

"Dr. Harry Smith, professor at the Utah State Agricultural College at Logan, spoke on Nov. 16 before a group of about 100 persons interested in livestock raising..."

Topaz joined in the nation's festivities on Thanksgiving with a turkey dinner.

Irvin Hull, head of the Project Reports Division, who is leaving Topaz, was given a farewell party by the Times staff.

Quoted is a letter from the City of Delta, acknowledging the "splendid cooperation" given by the Japanese residents in the recent scrap drive.--Millard County Chronicle (Delta), November 26, p. 1. #2153

"3 More Ordered to Leave Coast"

Calif. The WCCA listed three more names: Guenther Carl Wiegand, Sunnyvale; Harry Isadore Lechner and Walter Heinrich Willi Schawl, both of Seattle.--San Francisco News, November 20, p. 6. #2153

"20 U. S. Japanese Enter Army for Language Work"

Idaho Hunt--"Twenty American citizens of Japanese ancestry were sworn into the U. S. army at the Minidoka relocation center to become students in the military intelligence service language school in Savage, Minn..."--Twin Falls Times-News, November 24, p. 11. #2154

"Dual Citizenship Trial of Japanese Will be Delayed"

Calif. "The trial of the Japanese Americans suspended from state jobs on charges of dual citizenship with Japan cannot be held until each case has been investigated and sufficient funds are available for conduct of the trial..."--Sacramento Bee, November 25, p. 2. #2155