

ARMY ORDER REVEALS EVENTUAL OUSTER OF ALL COAST JAPANESE

All Japanese, including American-born, eventually will be ordered by the government to vacate the Pacific Coast, Lieut. Gen. J. L. De Witt, commanding general of the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, revealed yesterday in announcing that the Western parts of Washington, Oregon and California, and the south half of Arizona, now form Military Area No. 1 of the nation.

General De Witt, in effect, advised the voluntary removal of Japanese immediately, although his proclamation was not an evacuation order.

"Immediate compulsory mass evacuation of all Japanese and other aliens from the Pacific Coast is impracticable," General De Witt said. "Eventually, however, orders will be issued requiring all Japanese, including those who are American-born, to vacate all of Military Area No. 1.

"Those Japanese and other aliens who move into the interior out of

this area now will gain considerable advantage, and in all probability will not again be disturbed."

In the proclamation establishing the area, General De Witt pointed out that "any and all persons may be excluded" under the executive order directing military commanders to prescribe "military areas."

The proclamation designated all portions of the four states not included in Area No. 1 as Military Area No. 2, and pointed out that persons can be excluded from certain positions of the second area under the same terms as the first.

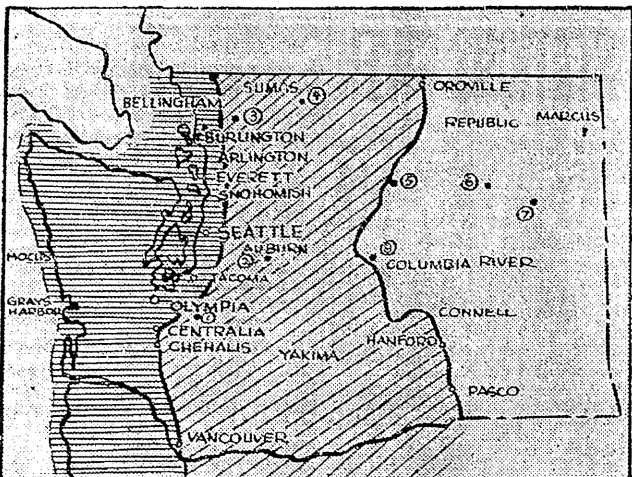
General De Witt appointed Tom C. Clark of Los Angeles as chief of a civilian staff to handle the evacuations. Clark's staff will include representatives of all federal agencies involved.

General De Witt said the staff's property section will deal with the problem of providing a property custodian.

Stringent restrictions on persons

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ALIEN EXCLUSION AREAS



This artist's sketch shows the areas in the State of Washington where alien exclusion orders will be enforced, according to a proclamation today by Lieut. Gen. John L. De Witt, Western Defense Commander. The dark area at the left is "Military Area No. 1," where enemy aliens and all Japanese "eventually" will be prohibited from residing. The middle area is a "Restricted Zone," where some may live with restrictions to be stipulated by the Army. Numbers refer to the following "Special Restricted Zones" about armories, power stations and reservoirs: 1—Electron hydro-electric plant. 2—Cedar Falls water reservoir. 3—Baker River Dam, near Concrete. 4—City Light's Skagit River project. 5—Chelan hydro-electric plant. 6—Grand Coulee Dam. 7—Long Lake hydro-electric plant. 8—Rock Island hydro-electric plant.

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within the areas were imposed in the proclamation. Japanese, German or Italian aliens, or those of Japanese lineage, are required to register any change in residence, either from one place to another within the area, or from one place to another outside the area.

Isolated forbidden areas were classified into Zones A-1 to A-99, and Zone B.

The general pointed out that the outline of prohibited areas is based on "military considerations" rather than "civilian pressure."

Difference between the classifications are that aliens and American-Japanese eventually will be forbidden to reside in or enter Zones A-1 to A-99; will be evacuated from Zone B (all the remainder of War Area 1), except some aliens or classes of aliens who may be permitted to remain or enter under certain restrictions, and there will be no restrictions in War Area 2, except in the isolated forbidden zones.

Future proclamations, General De Witt said, will affect five classes of residents: Class 1, all persons suspected of espionage, sabotage, fifth-column or other subversive activity; Class 2, Japanese aliens; Class 3, American-born Japanese; Class 4, German aliens, and Class 5, Italian aliens.

Pointing out that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and other intelligences are "apprehending persons in Class 1 daily," the general asserted that evacuation will be a "continuing" process.

Japs Go First

"Persons in Classes 2 and 3 will be required by future orders to leave certain critical points within the military areas first," General De Witt said. "These areas will be defined and announced shortly."

"After exclusion has been completed around the most strategic area, a gradual program of exclusion from the remainder of Military Area No. 1 will be developed."

German and Italian aliens will be next for evacuation, but probably will not be affected until after removal of the two classes of Japanese, the general proclaimed. He said removal of Germans or Italians over 70 years of age will not be required "except when individually suspected," nor will families—parents, wives, children, sisters and brothers—of Germans and Italians in the armed forces, unless for some specific reason.

Washington's portion of Area No. 1 extends from three miles at sea along the Canadian border to Oroville, then down Highway 97 to the Columbia River, and downstream to the Oregon border at Highway 97.

Included were 93 other small sections, classified as zones, in both Area 1 and 2, surrounding radio stations, power plants, telegraph and telephone offices, water reservoirs, armories, railroad bridges and dams.

Zones Outlined

In Washington these were:

Zone A-1—A forbidden area along the coastal side of Area 1, beginning at the Canadian border north of Sumas, following highways and roads generally south through Nooksack, Deming, Sedro Woolley, McMurray, Arlington, Hartford, Machias, Snohomish, Fall City, Issaquah, Walsh, Ravensdale, Black Diamond, Buckley, Kapowsin, Yelm, Tenino, then down Highway 99 to 13 miles north of Vancouver, then over State Highways 1-S and 1-U, near Battleground, to Orchards, Camas and across the Columbia River.

Zone A-2—Grand Coulee Dam, including the dam project and a mile around it in every direction.

A-3—Long Lake hydroelectric plant, a one-mile circle.

A-4—Gorge project, a one-mile circle.

A-5—Diablo Dam, a one-mile circle.

A-6—Ruby Dam, a one-mile circle.

A-7—Baker River Dam, near Concrete, a one-mile circle.

A-8—Electron hydroelectric

plant, a one-mile circle.

A-9—Cedar Falls, a one-mile circle.

A-10—Rock Island hydroelectric plant, a one-mile circle.

A-11—Chelan hydroelectric plant, a one-mile circle.

A-12—Bonneville Dam, extending a mile each side of the Columbia River, including United States Highway 30 and Washington Highway 8, between Prindle, Skamania County, and Bridal Veil, Or., and from Carson, Skamania County, to Farley, Or. (Enemy aliens forbidden highway travel in this zone.)

Alien Italian Veterans Seized in S. F. Raids

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—(AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation said that some 75 alien members of the Federation of Italian War Veterans had been seized to date in raids in the San Francisco Bay district, and that 20 of them already were en route to internment camps.

H. C. Van Pelt of the San Francisco F. B. I. office, announcing the arrests, said membership in the society was drawn from men who fought for Italy in the First World War. He reported that contraband seized from these aliens included Fascist caps, blackshirt uniforms, swords, firearms and ammunition.

Social Workers Offer Services To Aid Evacuees

Members of the Puget Sound Chapter of the American Association of Social Workers today offered their services to authorities in working out evacuation problems "on a humane basis." They made it clear, however, that they do not favor "indiscriminate evacuation of citizens or noncitizens from this area solely for reasons of nationality or race."

In a statement, the organization urged that evacuation be made only upon certification of military or police officials and with due regard for the constitutional and legal rights of the evacuees.

"Even in cases where evacuation is deemed necessary by military and police authorities, we believe special consideration should be given to the needs of the aged, the sick and the handicapped, and young children and such other persons who, upon investigation, establish their loyalty beyond reasonable doubt," the group declared.

The statement also urged that, before any evacuation be made, careful consideration be given to plans for establishing the evacuees in resettlement areas.

Greeley Warns Of Sabotage In State Forests

A warning of danger of "organized sabotage within our forests" was issued today by Col. W. B. Greeley, secretary-manager of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association.

Colonel Greeley said the situation demanded the utmost cooperation among federal, state and industry forest-protection agencies and the public.

The Northwest is faced, Greeley said, with "a menace of forest fire systematically planned and executed by the same sort of diabolical genius that directed the blitzkrieg in Poland and the attack on Pearl Harbor."

"This menace may come in an effort to create a huge smoke screen concealing forces attacking from the Pacific," Greeley added. "It may come by attack from the