

ARMY ORDERS ALIEN CURFEW

All German and Italian aliens and persons of Japanese ancestry in Seattle, as well as other districts in Military Area No. 1, must stay within their place of residence during the hours between 8 o'clock in the evening and 6 o'clock in the morning, effective Friday, according to a proclamation issued late yesterday by the Army.

Persons who come under the curfew regulations include not only those of the coastal strip designated as Military Area No. 1, but also those residing in specified inland zones in these states and in Montana, Idaho, Nevada and Utah, the Associated Press said.

Those who fail to abide by any regulation or restriction applied to a military area are liable to a \$5,000 fine, one year's imprisonment, or both, and are subject to immediate exclusion from the military area.

At all other times, the proclamation said, persons "shall be only at their place of residence or employment or traveling between these places or within a distance of not more than five miles from their place of residence."

Strictest Enforcement
"This is a war measure," said Lieut. Gen. J. L. De Witt, head of the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, who issued the proclamation in San Francisco, "and I warn that swift justice will follow any violation. Military necessity dictates such action and military necessity requires strictest enforcement."

General De Witt issued a "final warning" to Japanese, both aliens and American-born, that "they must immediately cease wishful thinking that there will be exemptions or delays of departure until fall." He added that the evacuation, now under way, will be completed as quickly as possible.

The new order revokes all previous exemptions.

Lieut. Col. W. A. Boekel, assistant provost marshal of the Western Defense Command, said that those persons who come under the curfew regulations will be unable hereafter to hold night jobs. In the past there have been exemptions for such workers as cooks, night watchman, porters and others employed for night work. Now all must be at home after dark.

Establishment of a permanent Japanese colony in the Columbia Basin reclamation area was suggested today by James Y. Sakamoto, Japanese leader here, in a letter to Tom Clark, alien coordinator.

Firm Offers to Move
William Hosokawa, member of the Seattle Chapter of the Japanese-American Citizens League, said the owner of a Seattle factory which employs 100 Japanese women in defense work, would move his factory to the colony if he could find floor space.

"This is the first area where water will be available from Grand Coulee Dam," Hosokawa said. "Evacuation was scheduled to start in 1944, but we propose to set up a colony and use our man power immediately in the hope of getting water sooner than 1944. The workers would be paid regular wages by the government. This area would take care of between six and ten thousand persons."

Meanwhile, the War Relocation Authority announced today in Washington that 20,000 Japanese would be moved to the Colorado River Indian Reservation at Parker, Ariz. A plan being worked out provides for four or five temporary, self-sustaining colonies, with the purpose of furnishing homes and useful employment to the evacuated Japanese and of preparing the land for use after the war. About 90,000 acres of land are available for development, with an adequate supply of water. At the end of the war, the land will revert to the Indians.

Eight hundred Japanese arrived yesterday at Manzanar, Calif., to establish the first such colony. The camp eventually will hold 10,000 Japanese.

Latvian Consulate Here Closed by War

The Latvian consulate in the Henry Building has been closed because of the war, which has excluded the Pacific Ocean from Latvian shipping routes since 1940, Hans Cron, consul, announced today.

Cron said matters formerly handled by the Seattle consulate will be dealt with by the Latvian legation in Washington, D. C.

The Peking News, established in China in the Sixth Century, is still published today, now in its 1400th year.

BAINBRIDGE JAPANESE KEEP WORKING, FACE BILL COLLECTORS



Registration, evacuation and business problems of J. Nakata (left) were complicated with the appearance of a bill collector, who said his company had instructed him to call on all Japanese on Bainbridge Island and ask that they clear up outstanding accounts. Nakata referred the collector to a son, John Nakata, popular Winslow butcher.



Spreading fertilizer among the strawberry plants on 35 acres of land, T. Hayashida paused for a moment today to echo the thought of nearly 300 Japanese on Bainbridge Island: "A fellow doesn't know what he's going to do." Then he clucked to his horse and went on working a crop he'll never reap.

Soldiers Guard Bainbridge, Bar Jap Visitors to Island

Soldiers carrying rifles, bayonets fixed, kept all Japanese from visiting Bainbridge Island today as the Japanese residents of the island prepared to comply with Army orders and register tomorrow for evacuation.

Infantrymen patrolled the ferry docks at Winslow, Eagle Lake and White Point, turning back all Japanese who attempted to disembark from the ferries running to the island.

Japanese who attempted to leave the island were questioned carefully before being allowed to board ferries.

Business as Usual
Most of the Japanese, however, went about business as usual, the majority of them working overtime in the well-tilled fields which supply the Seattle area with the bulk of its annual strawberry crop.

Sea farmers also were on the job, tending their crops. The few who operate businesses were winding up financial affairs between tending to customers.

With less than a week remaining before they must leave the homes which they have occupied many years, Japanese hoped for a change in military orders, an extension of time, a last-minute miracle—anything!

As the Japanese were winding up final business affairs, United States Army officers and men made swift preparations for registration, which will begin at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning in the building formerly occupied by the Anderson Grocery Store at the old Winslow Dock.

Travelers Challenged
Infantry details, with men carrying fixed bayonets, and officers with pistols at their hips, stood guard at various points on the island.

Visiting Japanese from Seattle and other points were denied permission to step foot on the island and were turned back on the ferries which carried them to Bainbridge.

"We are trying to conduct this evacuation with the least amount of displeasure or discomfort. After all, it is not their fault they are Japanese," said one Army officer on duty on the island. "This is just as unpleasant for the Army as for the Japanese. We've got a job to do and we'd just as soon no one would interfere. Our job is just as much to protect these Japanese as it is to evacuate them."

In charge of twelve registration clerks is Tom G. Rathbone, field supervisor for the United States Employment Service. About a dozen clerks will be on duty from 8 o'clock tomorrow morning until 5 o'clock tomorrow evening. The clerks will represent the Federal Reserve Bank, Farm Security Agency, the State Welfare Department, United States Public Health Service and the United States Employment Service.

Japanese must furnish information concerning their case history in this country, employment and health. Federal Bureau of In-



Mr. and Mrs. J. Nakata stand proudly before the door of their Bainbridge Island home—a door decorated with a red, white and blue poster, which says they have a boy in the armed forces of the United States. Ill prepared for evacuation, they said nevertheless, "It's for the good of the country—so we'll move."

No Sign of Bitterness
They said it smilingly. They awaited fresh news philosophically. Their words were not tinged with bitterness, although some of the younger, American-born Japanese said they felt that a week's evacuation notice was insufficient.

The Caucasian mind never seems to be entirely able to fathom what may be going on behind the serene faces and the gentle words of the Oriental, born abroad or in the United States. Yet the Bainbridge Japanese spoke frankly:

"It's for the good of the country, so we'll move," said J. Nakata, farmer, who has a son, Momoichi, serving with the United States Army and now stationed in Arkansas. Momoichi is one of seven children.

Nakata pointed to the red, white and blue poster in his doorway: "Our Son is Serving in the United States Army." Out in the yard another son, Donald, played with Momoichi's setter, Duke, and wondered what would become of the dog.

Nakata moved to America from Japan in 1900, formerly worked as a barber.

T. Hayashida, spreading fertilizer among strawberry plants, halted his ancient white horse and said: "They tell you one thing and then they tell you another, and a fellow doesn't know what he's going to do. But if the country thinks it is best for us to move, why, that's all right."

Takashi Sakuma, 22 years old, who was to have been graduated in June as an economics major at the University of Washington, said: "I expect my draft card today anyhow. When the Army says evacuation is for the good of the country, then I know it's for our own good, too."

"I can easily visualize what would happen to me in any other country in time of war. There are a few people who discriminate against us, but I know they are not like the majority of American people."

The Rev. Kihachi Hirakawa, 79, a Japanese Baptist preacher, said simply, "I just hope we can all go together."

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SIX JAPANESE ARRESTED HERE

Six Japanese aliens, including a woman, held by federal authorities to be potentially dangerous, were arrested in Seattle last night.

H. B. Fletcher, in charge of the Seattle office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said the six all held membership in pro-Japanese organizations. All six were placed in detention quarters of the Immigration Station.

Residences of those arrested were searched, F. B. I. agents said, but no contraband was found. In Yreka, Calif., F. B. I. agents arrested five Italian aliens and seized six firearms and more than 600 rounds of ammunition yesterday, the Associated Press said.

Ritz Brother to Wed
SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—(AP)—One-third of the Ritz brothers' film comedy team is going to get married here Thursday. The bridegroom is to be Harry Ritz, 34 years old, eldest of the trio, now here on tour. The bride will be Betty May Heath, 20-year-old actress of Van Nuys, Calif. Ritz applied for the license yesterday.

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3 ARRESTED FOR IGNORING SENTRY

Three persons in an automobile were arrested at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the driver disregarded an Army barricade in East Marginal Way and kept going until overtaken by sentries in an Army truck.

As a result, Peter August, 35 years old, 4058 36th Ave. S. W., was booked in the county jail on a reckless-driving charge and two companions, Macy Van Blarcom, 35, shipyard worker, and Joe Thomsie, 38, logger, were booked on drunkenness charges. After complaints were filed in Justice Guy B. Knott's court, the three were released under bond.

County Detective Byron Maynard said August drove the vehicle past the Army barricade near the Boeing Aircraft Company Plant No. 2, disregarding the shouts of sentries, who were forced to take after the car in an Army vehicle before their commands were complied with.

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