Farmers Taking Over Japs' Land To Be Deferred

Selective Service headquarters at nearby Camp Murray reported today farmers who might replace Japanese on Bainbridge Island

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would be deferred from military service if they could prove they

were experienced and the key man on the farm. "If a farmer can prove he's capable of doing the job, we'll defer

him, provided he operates a sufficiently large farm that could be

classified as commercial," headquarters said. In reply to a report that Filipinos in Kitsap County would be deferred and sent to work on the Bainbridge Japanese farms, the Selective Service office said such an order would not apply to any particular race. "All key farmers in the state

may be deferred." it said. (See Page 10 for other details of Jap evacuation.)