

Miss Wanda L. Stark, Clerk
City of Tulalake 214

5/29/43

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Reply: 6/17/43

Action(Prev. to Evac.) None

(Recently, "The City Council has gone on record by motion that no Japanese may be allowed in the City and also that they wish to go on record that under no circumstances will they allow settlement here at close of hostilities.")

Comment: ""The City of Tulalake was very much opposed to the Center in our valley. Our lake bed produces per acre greater than any land in the United States and is land which has been held available for Veteran's homesteads. Feeling is therefore extremely high against the Japanese farming any part of it.

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When they were first at the Center they were allowed great freedom and upon several occasions our police department was ordered to pick up Japanese in our City and place them in jail to await the Provost Guard.

-(Quot. under Action)

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Mr. Walter M. Brown, Clerk

City of Turlock 49.3
56.6

5/29/43

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9/24/43

Reply: 9/28/43

Action: None

Comment: None

507.9
Mr. Charles E. Morris, Clerk
City of Tustin 141.9

5/29/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: "The Mambers personally are agreed that they shew should not return at this time on account of our being a hot spot with the Lighter than Air Base, The Marine Base, and the Santa Ana Training Base all located here.

The Santa Ana City Council did go on record that they should not return and Clubs and Organizations generally in this Community are very deffinately against their returning."

Mr. James O. Brawn, Clerk

5/31/43

City of Ukiah, 19.0

9/24/43

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Reply: 9/28/43 (Barbara Brawn, City Clerk)

Action: None

Comment: "As far as the attitude of the local Council toward this problem is concerned, I am not able to give an opinion. I have never heard this problem discussed in any way by this body. Although we have had in recent years a fairly large Japanese population, the question of their return to this locality has never been brought up at any of our City meetings."

67.4
Mr. Ray C. Norton, Clerk
City of Upland 21.5

5/31/43

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Reply: 6/11/43

Action: None

Comment: "I am not able to give you the opinion of the city council, as your subject was not discussed although I read your letter in open meeting."

Mr. R.C. Gray, Clerk

City of Vacaville 184.5

5/31/43

9/24/43

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Reply: 9/25/43

Action: None

Comment: "...about 350 Japanese were evacuated from this City at the time the order was received, and it was thought at that time that it would seriously HANDICAP the harvesting of the fruit crop in this district. However we have since found, with fruit season drawing to a close, that the crops have been capably handled, by local and outside volunteer labor, imported Mexican, and other foreign transient labor.

"Naturally local restrictions of Japanese through our local Police Department, the FBI and the Intelligence Service of the United States Government, are capably handled, and I am sure that the sentiment of this district, is that the residence of the local Jap. at the close of the war should be JAPAN.

14.9
Mr. H. W. Mitchell, Clerk
City of Vallejo 184.5

6/1/43

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Reply: 6/9/43

Action: None

(NOTE: On June 5, 1943, the City Council adopted a Resolution, protesting the liberation of any persons of Japanese Ancestry within the military area of the Western Defense Command; endorsing the internment of Japanese in the camps; recommending that all persons of Japanese Ancestry be deported after the conclusion of the present war, from the territorial limits of the U.S.; and concur in every action of DeWitt to control persons of Japanese ancestry who are all unqualified and unsuited to be citizens or residents of the U.S.)

Comment: None

44.7
Miss Grace Woodruff, Clerk

5/17/43

City of (San Buenaventura) 96.4

Bventura
Reply: No Date

Action (Prev. to Evac.): Resolution passed by the City
~~Council~~ on 2/9/42, urging the evacuation of Japanese
from the area within 200 miles of the Pacific Ocean & the
removal of all dangerous enemy aliens of any country
from said area.

Comment: None

Miss Beatrice Thut, Clerk
City of Visalia 169.1

6/1/43

9/24/43

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Reply: 10/5/43

Action: None

Comment: None

Miss Hazel Jones Romley, Clerk
City of Walnut Creek 82.5

6/2/43
9/24/43

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Reply: 9/29/43

Action: None

Comment: "...there were a number of Japanese prior to the war residing on farms and ranches surrounding Walnut Creek, and it is the unanimous opinion of those contacted, such as the mayor, councilmen and various others others, that they should not be returned to the West Coast under any circumstances after the war, due to their knowledge

of the Japanese in the past and their complete distrust of them, feel that it would only cause additional trouble."

Mr. F.J. O'Brien, Clerk
City of Watsonville 288.7

6/2/43
9/24/43

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Reply: (Form letter dated 3/4/43)

Action: Resolution passed by Watsonville
Defense Council on Feb. 23, 1943.

Comment: "The feeling of the people in this
community - from which about 1,500
Japanese were evacuated - is con-
servatively expressed in this resolu-
tion and in a letter from our Chair-
man to the local daily paper, copy
of which is also enclosed."

Mr. C. C. Toland, Clerk

City of West Covina 137.3

6/2/43

9/24/43

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186.5

Reply: 10/16/43 (Lance D. Smith, Attorney)

Action: None

Comment: "...Prior to the evacuation of the Japanese a large portion of the farm lands lying within the city boundaries, was farmed by the Japanese. All of the members of the City Council are well acquainted with the Japanese.

A poll of each member of the City Council with respect to his opinion based on expressions

of citizens in his district is that public opinion in the City of West Covina is unanimously against the return of the Japanese."

Miss Elizabeth Cummings, Clerk
City of Westmorland

6/2/43

9/24/43

2/8/44

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Reply:

Action: None

Comment: None

Mrs. Elizabeth T. Hamilton, Clerk
City of Wheatland

6/2/43

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Reply: 6/11/43

Action: None

Comment: "The City Council is of the opinion that it would be inadvisable to return the Japanese to California now or in the future. The feeling against them is very high in this part of the country."

99.0
Mr. Guy N. Dixon, Clerk
City of Whittier 13213

6/2/43

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Reply: 6/11/43

Action: None

Comment: "At the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor there were sixteen families of Japanese, representing forty-one individuals, living within the city limits of Whittier. Chief of Police, O.C. Smith, followed out such measures as were required by the County, such as turning in cameras, guns, and other matters in assisting the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as well as registering them. Very little difficulty was encountered, however in several instances certain ones did not wish to turn in their cameras or guns but as we had already had information as to what they had over

on hand, after a little persuasion they checked in their goods. While there were not many Japanese in the City, I will say there were quite a number in the surrounding territory. We know that several of their ministers and leaders were very influential with them. These men felt that they should be properly registered immediately and be willing to cooperate in every way with local authorities, and used their influence to that end. I believe we were very fortunate in having such leaders among these people, who did much to relieve the situation at that time. I feel that I can truthfully express the sentiments of the city council and government officials here in saying they are not anxious to have the Japanese returned here after the war. However, it must be borne in mind that there were a number of Japanese families living here that were very well thought of and we appreciate the problem that this will present."

Reply: By M.G. -- 6/15/43 (Answer "A")

Miss Louise B. Eubank, Clerk
City of Willows

6/2/43
9/24/43

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Reply: 10/15/43

Action: None

Comment: ... "We have no Japanese in this district, however the Council stood one hundred percent against the return of any Japanese to this state."

Mr. P. W. Thornberry, Clerk

City of Winters 399.0

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6/2/43

9/24/43

2/8/44

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Reply recd. 2/10/44

Action: None

Comment: The City Council of City of Winters adopted the resolution of the American Legion, banning the return of the Japanese to West Coast.

146.3
Mr. F. O. Krohn, Clerk
City of Woodlake 169.1

6/2/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: "I am enclosing a clipping from the local newspaper the Woodlake Echo which expressed the opinion of a large majority of the people in this district."

Clipping was based on a telegram to the Honorable John M. Costello, Chairman of the Dies Committee in Los Angeles as follows: "There are no loyal Japs. We do not want them in our community."

183.2
Mr. Raymond Bell, Clerk
City of Woodland 399.0

6/2/43

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Reply: 6/4/43 (By Rose Bloom, Clerk)

Action (Prev. to Evac.): None

Comment: "The Woodland District Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution opposing the return of Japanese to this area. The American Legion, Yolo Post No. 77, which embraces the American Legion in this area, likewise passed a similar resolution.

It appears to me from my observations that the sentiment in this area is decidedly opposed to the return of the Japanese, whether citizens or aliens."

Miss Katheryn R. Brown, Clerk
City of Yreka City 2.4

6/2/43
9/24/43

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Reply: 9/30/43

Action: None

Comment: "Our City Council has not discussed this item at all, as yet, but we will present your letter to them at the next regular meeting. If they should take up this program, I shall be very glad to let you know their decision."

209.0
Miss Anita R. Owen, Clerk
City of Yuba City 226.4

6/2/43

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Reply: (No Date)

Action(Prev. to Evac.): None

(After Evac. -- City Council passed Resolution, #974, 6/7/43, opposing return of Japanese from retention camps to their former locations and particularly to the Pacific Coast area, endorsing Gen. DeWitt's order that Japanese be confined to concentration camps and they not be returned to any Pacific Coast state, and that the supervision and care of the Japanese while in said retention camps should be vested in the U.S. Army without interference from any other department of the Federal Government.

Comment: None

Action Alone

In Answer

No Action - No Comment

no answer

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Comment, but no
Action

No Action

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Action Alone

Comment, but No Action

251
Mr. A.B. Combs Jr., Clerk
County of Baker
Baker, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. A. J. Moore, Clerk
County of Benton
Corvallis, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: 6/8/43

Action: None

Comment: "--I wish to advise that this county is all practically in military area, and Japanese and other foreign element are pretty well looked after by the army, as we have a large military cantonment and also a large air base."

28-5
Mr. Guy H. Pace, Clerk
County of Clackamas
Oregon City, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: 6/7/43

Action: None

Comment: "The County Court of Clackamas County, Oregon has passed no resolutions or has it to my knowledge discussed the matter as this County does not have or did not have but a few Japanese residents."

Mr. Verne ³⁹¹⁷Stratton, Clerk
County of Clatsop
Astoria, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: None

J. ^{18.1}W. Hunt, Clerk
County of Columbia
St. Helens, Oregon

6/3/43
9/21/43

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Reply: 9/24/43

Action: None

Comment: "We had very few Japanese in this County before the War. In fact we will go to any length to see that we do NOT have any."

Mr. Lloyd W. Oddy, Clerk
County of Coos
Coquille, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: 6/16/43 (By Marie Bellah, Sec. to County Court)

Action: None

Comment: None

Miss ^oNora F. Stearns, Clerk
County of Crook
Prineville, Oregon

6/3/43
9/21/43

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Reply: Undated

Action: None

Comment: None

Miss Oleta A. Walker, Clerk
County of Curry
Gold Beach, Oregon

6/3/43
9/21/43
1/5/44

Reply: No date

Action: None

Comment: None

7.5
Miss Mable G. Livesay, Clerk
County of Deschutes
Bend, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: No Date (By C. L. Allen, County Judge)

Action: None

Comment: "We have no Japs in Central Oregon and no public bodies have passed any resolutions on the problem. Many people feel that they should be paid for their property and sent to any place available for them of their choice."

Mr. Roy Agee, Clerk
County of Douglas
Roseburg, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: 6/8/43

Action: None

Comment: "--will say that we had no permanent Japanese residents of this county at the time of Pearl Harbor and I know of but one transient and he was an American citizen (born in Hawaii) of Japanese ancestry, and was evacuated by the United States Government in regular course, so the County Commissioners made no resolutions or orders concerning Japanese or persons of Japanese ancestry at any time."

Mr. Stewart Hardie, Clerk
County of Gilliam
Condon, Oregon

6/3/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: "No interest whatever."

157
Miss Bessie Powell St. Marie, Clerk
County of Grant
Canyon City

6/3/43

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Reply: 6/10/43

Action: None

(NOTE: Action of recent date is given in the following
comment:)

Comment: "This court with Co-operation with Edward Hines
Lumber Co. of Hines, Harney Co. Oregon, have directed that
a certain number of Japanese workers may be brought into
Grant County, Oregon, for labor on railroad work. How far
this will be carried out, has not yet been determined."

Mr. Wm. M. Carroll, Clerk
County of Harney
Burns, Oregon

6/4/43

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Reply: 6/10/43

Action: None

Comment: None

11.3
Mr. G. R. Carter, Clerk
County of Jackson
Medford, Oregon

6/4/43

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Reply: 6/8/43

Action: None

Comment: "--I wish to say that the few Japanese that were located here at the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor were evacuated and placed in concentration camps under orders from General DeWitt.

Recently there was a meeting of the chambers of commerce, county court, and various citizens to discuss the Japanese situation and the advisability of appealing for the release of some to relieve the extreme shortage of help that is needed in various fields. The county court was
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very much opposed to any such action and felt that the matter is being well handled and in the proper hands."

58.8
Mr. T.A. Power, County Judge
Jefferson County
Madras, Oregon

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Reply: 1/7/44 (Follow up on R.C. Percival)

Action: None

Comment: The proposition of evacuation of Japanese and the measures taken by the Army is in accordance with the ideas of members of this court. ... I took this matter up with the County Commissioners recently, and they, as well as myself, are not anxious to have an alien people with us who do not believe in our form of government. . . We think that these Japanese who

were loyal to this country should be given the same opportunities as any other race who fought for us in this conflict."

Mr. R. C. Percival, Clerk
County of Jefferson
Madras, Oregon

6/4/43
9/21/43
1/5/44

Reply: No. date (Refer to Miss Nellie Watts
Clerk)

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. Ben W. Coutant, Clerk
County of Josephine
Grants Pass, Oregon

6/4/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: "This particular section of the United States has for many years been minus any foreign element. There has been no resolution by the county court. I imagine the attitude of the community would be definitely against any influx of Japanese into the Rogue River Valley."

Miss Mae K. Short, Clerk
County of Klamath
Klamath Falls, Oregon

6/4/43
9/21/43

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Reply: Undated

Action: None

Comment: "... and there has been no attitude or sentiment expressed except in support of the well known position which our governor takes."

Mr. ^{17.5}Carl W. Pendleton, Clerk
County of Lake
Lakeview, Oregon

6/4/43
9/21/43
1/5/44

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Reply: No date (Referred to: Miss Genevieve
Hanks, Clerk)

Action: None

Comment: "There was one family of Japanese here
but the sons are in the Army and the old parents
and some younger children are here."

Mr. / W. B. Dillard, Clerk
County of Lane
Eugene, Oregon

6/4/43

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Reply: 6/7/43

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. ²⁷Carl Gildersleeve, Clerk
County of Lincoln
Toledo, Oregon

6/4/43
9/21/43

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Reply: 9/23/43

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. R. M. Russell, Clerk
County of Linn
Albany, Oregon

6/4/43

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Reply: 6/8/43

Action: None

Comment: "No County resolutions, ordinances, restrictions, etc. have been passed by the County Court of Linn County in regard to the West Coast Japanese, nor do I know of any such action by any of the municipalities of Linn County."

Mr. H. ⁶S. ^{9.2}Sackett, Clerk
County of Malheur
Vale, Oregon. " "

6/4/43

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Reply: 6/8/43

Action: None

Comment: "A sum of money was placed in our budget for last year for the purpose of hiring guards, but only one man was placed at one of the camps for a very short period. We have had no trouble with them at all. There are quite a lot of them in this County at the present time and practically are good workers and have saved many hundreds of acres of crops. Also quite a lot of them have leased farms thruout the County and the people here seem quite reconciled to having them around. I think this is going over

to be true, however, only for the duration; as the sentiment of most of the people I have talked with is that we don't want them to stay after this is all over."

Harlan A. Judd, Clerk
County of Marion
Salem, Oregon

6/4/43

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Reply: 6/7/43 (By H. C. Mattson, Clerk Pro Tem)

Action: None

Comment: "No formal action as ever been taken by our Board of County Commissioners with the exception that they have made it known that they desire to cooperate with the army and the Civilian Defense Councils. I would suggest that you write directly to the Marion County Defense Council, Room 1, Ladd & Bush Bank Bldg., Salem, Oregon for further information."

6.9
Mr. C. W. Barlow, Clerk
County of Morrow
Heppner, Oregon

6/4/43
9/21/43

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Reply: Undated

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. ^{67A-3}A. Bailey, Clerk
County of Multnomah
Portland, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: 6/15/43 (By Orpha R. Glass, Clerk)

Action None

Comment: None

Mr. C. ¹⁴S. ⁰Graves, Clerk
County of Polk
Dallas, Oregon

6/7/43

9/21/43

1/5/44

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Reply: No date

(from Edna M. Pitser
County Clerk)

Action: None

Comment: None

12.9
Mr. Ross Ornduff, Clerk
County of Sherman
Moro, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: 6/10/43

Action: None

Comment: "--we were fortunate in not having had, and at the present time do not have, one Japanese within the boundaries of our country.

Each and all of our local governmental units are heartily in accord with the measures taken and adopted by other coastal localities and our law enforcement officials are constantly on the alert watching for any subversive activities by any race or creed."

Mr. W. Thomas Coates, Clerk
County of Tillamook
Tillamook, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: 6/11/43

Action: None

Comment: "The Japanese have never been considered a
serious problem in this particular territory."

Mrs. ^{3.8}E. B. Casteel, Clerk
County of Umatilla
Pendleton, Oregon

6/7/43
9/21/43
1/5/44

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Reply: No date

Action: None

Comment: "Only one Japanese family in this
community, as far as I know."

Mr. C. K. McCormick, Clerk
County of Union
LaGrande, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. D. B. Reavis, Clerk
County of Wallowa
Enterprise, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: No Date

Action: None

Comment: None

62-5
Mr. W. A. Tupper, Clerk
County of Washington
Hillsboro, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: 6/12/43

Action: None

Comment: "Before this evacuation Washington County had quite a number of Japanese farmers and gardeners throughout the county. Most of them being in the business of strawberry raising, many of them being American Born. I suggest that you write to the County Agent of Washington County, as that department is more familiar with farmer's opinions and the sentiments of the Farmer's Union and various farm organizations."

Mr. ⁶⁻⁷H. W. Scherrer, Clerk
County of Wasco
The Dalles, Oregon

6/7/43
9/21/43
1/5/44

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Reply - No date

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. Scott Sasser, Clerk
County of Wheeler
Fossil, Oregon

6/7/43

9/21/43

1/5/43

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Reply: No date

Action: None

Comment: None

Mr. ²⁸⁷John Herring Jr., Clerk
County of Yamhill
McMinnville, Oregon

6/7/43

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Reply: 6/14/43

Action: None

Comment: "There were only two or three families in this county at the outbreak of the war and they were punctually rounded up by the Federal Authorities. The Yamhill County Court has not been called upon to take any action against the Japanese in this county. Neither have they instigated any action against the Japanese on the West Coast."

Mr. W. L. Vannet, Clerk
County of Hood River
Hood River, Oregon

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Action After Evac.

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Miss Sverra S. Jensen, Recorder

City of Amity

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Mr. G. T. McClean, City Manager (no Recorder)

City of Astoria 39.9

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Mr. Wesley Chappell, Recorder
City of Bandon 0

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Mr. A. J. Sellers, Recorder

City of Banks 62.5

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Wash

Miss Blanche Oilar, Recorder
City of Barlow 28.5

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Clark

Mr. M. G. Burk, Recorder
City of Bonanza .2

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Mr. Robert Shaffer, Recorder
City of Canyonville 0

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Doug

Mr. Guy Tex, Recorder
City of Central Point 11.3

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Lack

Miss Mary T. Ruth, Recorder
City of Cornelius 67.5

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Wash

Mr. Stuart G. French, Recorder
Cove, Oregon 5.7

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Union

Mr. J. R. Mayberry, Recorder
City of Dayton 24.7

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Mrs. Vivian M. Sweek, Recorder
City of Dayville 157

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Mr. C. A. Blake, Recorder
City of Donald 25.6

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Mr. P. E. Temple, Recorder

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