



# Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego

## AC1 Donald Estes Research Collection

### Series I: WWII Internment

#### **Scope and Content:**

This series contains materials related to the Japanese American internment experience during World War II. The primary focus is on Poston internment camp, but there is information on other camps. Included are camp newsletters, literature, forms, directories / rosters, government reports, photographs and personal correspondence. There are also materials pertaining to relocation and resettlement. Source materials are both original and copies. Of specific interest are a comprehensive collection of camp newsletters, school yearbooks and letters to Clara Breed at San Diego Public Library. Significant documents include FBI rosters of property holdings by Japanese in San Diego County (1940) and the collected poetry of the Gila River Senryu Poem Club (1944-1945).

#### **Arrangement:**

This series is arranged alphabetically by subject

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Title/Subjects</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	1	Amache, CO (Granada):  Grant project – “Amache” by Robert Y. Fuchigami  Includes copies of reports, chronological history, maps etc.	1942-1945
1	2	Amache, CO (Granada):  Grant project – “Amache” by Robert Y. Fuchigami  Includes photographs (paper copies) of various camp activities.	1942-1945
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1	6	Amache (Granada) Internment Camp, CO:  Camp newspaper – “Granada Pioneer” Vol. 1, #94,	1943, August 25
1	7	Bismark, ND (DOJ):  Letters (2) – from Chiyomatsu Hirasaki to Clara Breed (copies)	1942
1	8	Crystal City, TX (DOJ) :  Camp newspaper – “Crystal City Times”  Vol. II and III (incomplete)	1945-1946
1	9	Crystal City, TX (DOJ) :  Camp Newspaper – “JIHO” English Section,  Vol. 1, #1, 2, 5	1943
1	10	Crystal City, TX (DOJ) :  Yearbook – Federal High School “44 Roundup” (2 copies)	1944
1	11	Crystal City, TX (DOJ) :  Report – “Historical Narrative on Crystal City Internment Camp” (Government report by Mr. McCollister)	1945
1	12	Crystal City, TX (DOJ) :  Roster - Wartime Japanese Internees Family Roster  (in Japanese and English)	1944

1	13	Fort Missoula, MT (DOJ):  Postcards (paper copies) - illustrated postcards by Rev. Guzei Nishii	1942
1	14	Gila River Internment Camp, AZ:  Booklet- "A Year at Gila"	1943, July 20
1	15	Gila River Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – "Gila News-Courier" Anniversary Supplement	1943,  September 12
1	16	Gila River Internment Camp, AZ:  Reports - Navy Department intelligence reports on boy gangs in camp	1943-1944
1	17	Gila River Internment Camp, AZ:  Booklets - Senryu Poem Club (location unverified)  Vol. 2, #4, 5, 6, 7;  Vol. 3, #4, 6	1944-1945
1	18	Government Documents: Executive Order 9066.  President Franklin D. Roosevelt	1942,  February 19
1	19	Government Documents: Civilian Exclusion Orders 4 and 16.  Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, San Francisco	1942,  April 1, 23
1	20	Government Documents:  Form - Loyalty Statement (blank) of United States Citizen of Japanese Ancestry	c.1943
2	1	Intelligence Reports: FBI  Roster - Japanese aliens registered at San Diego County Post Office by city and surname	1940
2	2	Intelligence Reports: FBI  Roster – Property holdings by Japanese in San Diego County including names and addresses	1940

2	3	Intelligence Reports: Eleventh Naval District (San Diego) Reports (copies) – “radical activities”	1935 -1943
2	4	Intelligence Reports: Eleventh Naval District (San Diego) Reports (copies) – “activities of subversive and potentially subversive elements”	1944 -1945
2	5	Intelligence Reports: Navy Department Reports – “Japanese on the West Coast” by C.B. Munson and comments on this report by K.D. Ringle	1941
2	6	Internment Miscellanea: Newspaper articles – media coverage, moving , relocation, and employment	1943
2	7	Internment Miscellanea: List - Assembly Center Internees at various camp locations (in Japanese and English)	c. 1942
2	8	Internment Miscellanea: Newsletter – Pacific Citizen Vol. 21, #10	1945, September 8
2	9	Internment Miscellanea: News articles – Social Questions Bulletin Vol. 32, #35	1942, May
2	10	Internment Miscellanea: Booklet – “The Sunday Before”, sermons by Japanese pastors of the Pacific Coast prior to evacuation. List – Possibly block members in unknown camp (in Japanese) Buddhist worship book of sutras and hymns	1942  1944  1942
2	11	Internment Miscellanea: Booklet – Senryu poetry by Sasabune Sasaki with illustrations by Akira Shima plus paper copy  (in Japanese with English translation) <b>(Fragile</b> – access by copy only)	

2	12	Internment Miscellanea:  Booklet – “What About Our Japanese – Americans?”  by Carey McWilliams  (American council, Institute of Pacific Relations)	1944
2	13	Internment Miscellanea:  Article – “Six Billion Dollars To Finance a Japanese Relocation Guilt Trip” by Alan Stang  Article – “The Great Japanese Swindle: A Billion Dollar Fraud” by Lillian Baker  Letters - Related to author/lecturer bias  Program – Poston III, Reunion VI	1983, February  1989  1993  1991
2	14	Internment Miscellanea:  Project Documents – “Transforming Barbed Wire”	
3	1	Jerome Internment Camp, AR:  Permits – War Relocation Authority (WRA) Application for Leave for Masaki Hironaka	1943-1944
3	2	Lordsburg (U.S. Army), NM:  Letter – from Chiyomatsu Hirasaki to Clara Breed (copy)	1942,  September 11
3	3	Lordsburg (U.S. Army), NM:  Roster – Internees (in Japanese)	1943
3	4	Newspaper Articles: Japanese Americans in the news.	1943
3	5	Newspaper Articles: Japanese Americans in the news.	1944
3	6	Newspaper Articles:  “The Nation’s Press views West Coast Incidents: A partial Roundup of News Clippings and Editorial Comments.” (WRA)	1945
3	7	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Map – Barracks plan (in English and Japanese)	1942

3	8	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Letter – Fusa Tsumagari to Clara Breed (copy)	1942, August 30
3	9	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Letters (4) – Tetsuzo Hirasaki to Clara Breed (copies)	1942
3	10	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Reports – Government memos regarding internee activities and violations.	1942-1945
3	11	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Event Invitations – Parker Valley HS; Commercial Department Group study; Bookkeeper’s Party	1943-1944
3	12	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Letter – K.J. (Katsumi) Takashima to A.J. Bard re: his opinion on internment (copy)  Letter – Alva Nakata to Captola Saunders re: life in camp (copy)	1942  1943
3	13	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Transcript – Student panel discussion on resettlement and post- war world.	1943
3	14	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Exhibition Program – “One Man Exhibition” by S.J. Kishiyama (in English and Japanese)	c. 1943
3	15	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Magazine – “Poston Notes and Activities” (review of first year of internment camps)	1943, April
3	16	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Yearbook – “Desert Echoes” 1 <sup>st</sup> Christian Junior Church	1943
3	17	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Essay – “After December 7, 1942” by Bobby Watanabe	1943

3	18	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Poem – “Goodbye To Poston” by Bob Okazaki	1943
3	19	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Poem – “That Damned Fence”  (Anonymous, The Mad Mongolian)	1943
3	20	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Notice of assignment - George Nakagawa as vocational apprentice	1943
4	1	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Yearbook – “The Light of Learning”, Adult and Vocational Training Education Department  Letter – Recommendation for Helen Fujiwara, adult education instructor in School of Dressmaking.	1945
4	2	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Certificate – Parker Valley HS completion of 10 <sup>th</sup> grade, Paul Kaneyuki.  Flyer – “Senior Week”	1945
4	3	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Coupon Book – Poston Co-operative Enterprise, Inc.	1945
4	4	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  War ration book #3  Meal ticket (2) – Santa Anita	1945
4	5	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Greetings card – “Season’s Greetings” (blank)	
4	6	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Stationary (blank)	

4	7	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Stationary – Poston Youth Conference (blank)	
4	8	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Programs: Young Buddhist Association (YBA) conferences  “All Units Forum”  “Flight for Buddhism”	1943, September  1944, June
4	9	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – “Church Bulletin”, Third Poston Christian Church, Parish #2, Block 329.  (in Japanese and English)	1943-1944
4	10	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – Parker Valley High school  “Relocation Issue”, Vol. 1, #1, 2, 3, 4	1944
4	11	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – Poston III High School  “The Petrified Newspaper”, Vol. I, #3, 4, “Final Dedication”	1943-1955
4	12	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – “Hi-Times”, Poston III / Parker Valley HS  Vol. 1, #2-11 (incomplete),  Vol. 2, #1-9, senior edition  Vol. 3, #1-27 (incomplete), Karnival edition	1943-145
4	13	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – “Jr. Hi Spotlight” (Camp 3)  Vol. 1, #10  Vol. 2, #4, 7	1944



		Vol. 3, #4, 6, 7, 8, 9	
4	14	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – “Official Daily Press Bulletin: Poston City News.”  Published by the War Relocation Authority (WRA)  Vol. 4, #1- Vol. 7 (incomplete)	1942
4	15	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – “The Poston Chronicle” (copies)  Vol. 9, #3 – Vol. 27, #18 (incomplete)	1943 - 1945
4	16	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Camp newspaper – “The Poston Chronicle” (originals)  Vol. 15, #25 - Vol. 23, #21 (incomplete)	1943 - 1945
4	17	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Magazine – “Seasons Greeting” Christmas edition	1942
5	1	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Cornell University Collection – excerpts from The Japanese American Relocation Centers Records: 1935 – 1953.” Collection #3830  (Copies – <b>Do Not Reproduce</b> )	1942 - 1943
5	2	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Cornell University Collection – excerpts from The Japanese American Relocation Centers Records: 1935 – 1953.” Collection #3830  (Copies – <b>Do Not Reproduce</b> )	1942 - 1943
5	3	Poston Internment Camp, AZ:  Bancroft Library Collection – excerpts from the Japanese American Evacuation Resettlement Records.  (Copies – <b>Do Not Reproduce</b> )	1942-1943

5	4	Resettlement:  Pamphlets – “Facts About America” series , Government resettlement literature by state  Delaware, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, Montana, New England, New Jersey, New York, New York City (2),New York (Southern) Ohio, (Cleveland) Ohio, Pennsylvania, Washington D.C.	1944 - 1945
5	5	Resettlement:  Speech – Attorney General of California, Robert W. Kenny to Sheriffs of California	1945, March 16
5	6	Resettlement:  Letter – From President George Bush, apology and restitution law.	1990
5	7	Resettlement:  Pamphlet – “The Displaced Japanese Americans”  (American Council on Public Affairs)	1944
5	8	Resettlement:  Booklet – “The Japanese Evacuation Claims Bill : An Analysis of Losses Covered “  (Prepared for Southern California Japanese Fisherman’s Association)	
5	9	Resettlement:  Article – “The Story of the Nittas: a Touching Human Document” by Milton C. Phinney	
5	10	Rohwer Internment Camp, AR:  Yearbook - “Senior Resume”, Rohwer High School  (belonged to Jess Tanaka)	1945
5	11	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Camp newspaper – “Santa Anita Pacemaker” (originals) Vol. 1 # 4 – 40 (incomplete)	1942

5	12	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Letter – Chie Takehara to Mrs. Osgood (copy)  Letter – Hesaa (?) to Mrs. Osgood (date incorrect, should read 1942) (copy)	1942, April 22   1941, July 13
5	13	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Letter – Toshiko Iwashita to Barbara Dunn	1942, May 21
5	14	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Movement Order – Himaka Family from Santa Anita to Poston	1942, August
5	15	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Memos – War Relocation Authority (WRA) correspondence	1942
5	16	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Newspaper articles - related to Santa Anita	
5	17	Santa Anita Assembly Center, CA:  Magazine – “Santa Anita Pacemaker”	1942
5	18	Tanforan Assembly Center, CA:  Camp newspaper – “Tanforan Totalizer” (original)  Vol. 1, #19, final issue	1942, September 12
5	19	Topaz Internment Camp, UT:  Information Bulletin – War Relocation Authority (WRA)	1942, September 17
5	20	Topaz Internment Camp, UT:  Camp newspaper – “Topaz Times” (originals)  (in English and Japanese; incomplete)	1942-1943
6	1	Tulare Assembly Center, CA:  Camp newspaper – “The Tulare News” (copies) Vol. 1, #1-31	1942

6	2	Tulare Assembly Center, CA: Camp newspaper- "Tulare News Review" (copy)	1942, August 19
6	3	WRA: Report - "Colo Quarterly Census" (Abe – Matsubara)	1944
6	4	WRA: Report - "Colo Quarterly Census" (Matsuda – Shigemoto)	1944
6	5	WRA: Report - "Colo Quarterly Census" (Shigemura – Yoshimoto)	1944
6	6	WRA: Report – "Relocation of Japanese Americans"	1943, May
6	7	WRA: Booklet - "Segregation of Persons of Japanese Ancestry in Relocation Centers"	1943, August
6	8	WRA: Booklet – "Questions and Answers for Evacuees"	1942
6	9	WRA: Reports – Internment information requested for Clara Breed	1944
6	10	WRA: Reports – Internment information requested for Clara Breed	1944
6	11	WRA: Report – "California and Her Less Favored Minority" by Ruth E. McKee	1944, April
6	12	WRA: Report – "Final Report of the Activities of the San Diego District Office" by John C. McClendon	1946, January 28
6	13	WRA: Magazine – "Nisei in the War Against Japan"	1945, April

