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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE  
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February 23, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Office of the Assistant Secretary of War,  
Attention: Captain John M. Hall.

Subject: Employment of Japanese on Western Railroads.

1. Reference is made to a recent telephone call from your office to Lieutenant Claude Pierce of the Military Intelligence Division in regard to Japanese employed on western railroads. In response to your inquiry the following information is submitted. Where names of individuals are not available there is shown, under the heading "Name of Employee" the number of individuals employed in each of various capacities in each locality.

NAME OF EMPLOYEE      LOCATION      TYPE OF WORK      REMARKS

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad

George E. Kimura	Gallup, N. Mex.	Machinist	Alien
Jimmy J. Hirakawa	" "	"	"
Harry H. Shinto	" "	Painter	"
Sam S. Hirakawa	Winslow, Ariz.	Pipe fitter	Citizen
Suzu Ishizaki	La Junta, Colo.	Engine wiper	"
Jakechi Okuyawa	" "	Machinist	Alien

Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad

2 individuals	Miles City, Mont.	Roundhouse laborers	Citizens
2 "	Earlerton, Mont.	" "	"
2 "	Deer Lodge, Mont.	" "	"
1 "	Avery, Mont.	" "	"
11 "	Rocky Mt. Div.	Gang laborers	Aliens



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<u>Denver &amp; Rio Grande Western Railroad</u>			
Kumajiro Nitta	Del Norte, Colo.	Section foreman	Alien
Thomas (Thunematus)	Helper, Utah	Laborer	"
William Taniguchi			
Tom (Taichi) Nita	Soldier Summit, Utah	Section laborer	"
Chicukichi Suzuki	Minturn, Colo.	Laborer	"
George Yushito Masunaga	Burnham, Colo.	Laboratory laborer	Citizen

Great Northern Railroad

1 individual	Spokane, Wash.	Boilermaker	Citizen
1 "	Minot, N. Dak.	Boiler washer	Alien
9 "	Great Falls, Mont.	" "	"
4 "	Whitefish, Mont.	" "	"
2 "	Great Falls, Mont.	Box packer	Citizens
1 "	Whitefish, Mont.	" "	Alien
1 "	" "	Engine watchman	"
1 "	" "	Oiler and brasser	"
1 "	" "	Oil supply	"
2 "	Spokane, Wash.	Mail handlers	"
3 "	" "	Janitors	"
4 "	" "	Station laborers	"
4 "	" "	Roundhouse laborers	"
2 "	Great Falls, Mont.	Ex. & Dist. gang foremen	"
2 "	Spokane, Wash.	Ex. & Dist. gang foremen	"
1 "	Klamath Falls, Ore.	Ex. & Dist. gang foremen	Citizen
1 "	Great Falls, Mont.	Ex. & Dist. gang machine operator	Alien
47 "	" " "	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Citizens
32 "	" " "	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Aliens
23 "	Whitefish, Mont.	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Citizens
7 "	" "	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Aliens
13 "	Spokane, Wash.	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Citizens
11 "	" "	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Aliens

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<u>Great Northern Railroad (Continued)</u>			
13 individuals	Klamath Falls, Ore.	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Citizens
6 "	" " "	Ex. & Dist. gang laborers	Aliens
5 "	Great Falls, Mont.	Section foremen	"
1 "	Spokane, Wash.	" "	"
13 "	Great Falls, Mont.	Section laborers	Citizens
4 "	" " "	" "	Aliens
18 "	Whitefish, Mont.	" "	Citizens
13 "	" " "	" "	Aliens
3 "	Spokane, Wash.	" "	"
<u>Chicago, Burlington &amp; Quincy Railroad</u>			
8 individuals	Wyoming	Section foreman	Aliens
1 "	"	Section laborer	Alien
2 "	"	Section laborers	Citizens
1 "	"	Stationary fireman	Alien
1 "	"	Roundhouse laborer	"
3 "	Montana	Section foreman	"
1 "	"	Section laborer	Citizen
1 "	Colorado	Car repairer helper	Alien
<u>Northern Pacific Railway Company</u>			
Michiro Ikebata	Custer, Mont.	Extra gang laborer	Alien
Tokichi Miyakama	" "	" " "	"
S. Ogura	Laurel, Mont.	Boilerwasher helper	"
C. Fukado	" "	" "	"
H. Fukushima	" "	Headlight cleaner	"
K. Fukado	" "	Fire cleaner	Citizen
Toru Fukado	" "	Call boy	"
Frank Shiomi	Glendive, Mont.	Business car porter	Alien
Noburu Fukuda	Pasco, Wash.	Engine wiper	"
Shataro Hamano	Moxen, Mont.	Section laborer	"
Yoneichi Janamoto	Coeur d'Alene, Idaho	" "	Citizen
Frank Maruyama	Pasco, Wash.	Engine wiper	Alien
Harkari Hishio	Coeur d'Alene, Idaho	Section laborer	"
Tashiono Ono	Pasco, Wash.	Roundhouse laborer	"
Hoshitaro Awata	Hatton, Wash.	Laborer	"
Isearu Fujita	" "	"	Citizen
Minai Fujita	" "	"	Alien

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G. K. Fujimura	Hatton, Wash.	Laborer	Alien
Tokuyei Fukuchi	" "	"	Citizen
Naonesuke Gotow	" "	"	Alien
G. T. Hirata	" "	"	Citizen
C. K. Hirota	" "	"	Alien
Yasushi Hideshima	" "	"	"
Fumio Hangai	" "	"	Citizen
Tokujiro Hikida	" "	"	Alien
R. S. Karamoto	" "	"	Citizen
Sugao Horiuchi	" "	"	Alien
Makinoshin Imahashi	" "	"	"
Yasunoshin Iohimura	" "	"	"
Gene Kumagai	" "	"	Citizen
Akira Kayama	" "	"	Alien
James Koche	" "	"	Hawaiian
J. K. Kunihiro	" "	"	Citizen
Jisaku Kawai	" "	"	Alien
Motonobu Kagimoto	" "	"	Citizen
Morikichi Kikuchi	" "	"	Alien
Hanjiro Kunitomi	" "	"	"
Shigeki Kajiyama	" "	"	Citizen
Ryosaku Kato	" "	"	Alien
T. J. Kimura	" "	"	"
Gus Miyasato	" "	"	Citizen
Buichiro Murayama	" "	"	Alien
Asa Matsushita	" "	"	"
Mitsugu Murakami	" "	"	Citizen
H. H. Mukai	" "	"	"
Mitsunosuke Minakata	" "	"	Alien
Hochiji Minomi	" "	"	"
Toraichi Nakashima	" "	"	"
Asakichi Nakashima	" "	"	"
Kunichi Nomi	" "	"	"
W. H. Nishimura	" "	"	Hawaiian
T. F. Nakamura	" "	"	Citizen
Takeji Nakao	" "	"	Alien
T. T. Noritake	" "	"	Citizen
Kenneth Ohashi	" "	"	"
Yoshihiro Okano	" "	"	Alien
Isojiro Ozawa	" "	"	"
Iiyahara Ryoichi	" "	"	"
Icao Shinokawa	" "	"	Hawaiian

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Terukiyo Suenaga	Hatton, Wash.	Laborer	Alien
Nasao Shimabukuro	" "	"	Hawaiian
W. S. Saida	" "	"	Hawaiian
Dokichi Tomokawa	" "	"	Alien
Kasakichi Tanimoto	" "	"	"
Kazuto Tatemichi	" "	"	Hawaiian
Jiro Tanimoto	" "	"	Alien
Kametarō Takahashi	" "	"	"
Keichi Tamuro	" "	"	"
Tom Tamai	" "	"	Citizen
Suyeo Yoshizumi	" "	"	"
Ben Yoshizumi	" "	"	"
G. M. Yamamoto	" "	"	"
Frank Yamashita	" "	"	"
E. K. Fujimoto	Livingston, Mont.	Extra gang laborer	"
Wakamatsu Hamada	" "	" " "	Alien
Kyotaro Harada	Helena, Mont.	Roundhouse laborer (presently not working because of protest of local mechanical employees)	"
Mantaro Ishibashi	Livingston, Mont.	Extra gang laborer	"
Yochimasa Isami	Helena, Mont.	Roundhouse laborer (presently not working because of protest of local mechanical employees)	"
Heiyemon Konno	Livingston, Mont.	Extra gang laborer	"
Kay Kanematsu	" "	" " "	"
Riyochi Mayeda	" "	" " "	"
Sokichi Matsuura	" "	" " "	"
Sanjiro Makamura	" "	" " "	"
Sunshiro Ohta	" "	" " "	"
Kukichi Ogorochi	" "	" " "	"
Ringo Oata	Helena, Mont.	Roundhouse laborer (presently not working because of protest of local mechanical employees)	"
Firoshi Ohta	Livingston, Mont.	Extra gang laborer	Citizen
Asashi Ohta	" "	" " "	"
Ietsuzo Iaino	" "	" " "	Alien
Kyutaro Shiho	" "	" " "	"
Kuhiro Shinamura	" "	" " "	"
		(presently in hospital at Missoula, Mont. as result of injury while on duty)	

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Masao Shiba	Livingston, Mont.	Roundhouse laborer	Citizen
Hifumi Saimo	" "	Alamite operator	"
Frank Suyama	Helena, Mont.	Fire builder	"
C. A. Shimura	Livingston, Mont.	Extra gang laborer	Alien
Mitsuru Saimo	" "	" " "	Citizen
Risaburo Tetsuya	" "	" " "	Alien
Yeichi Tsunoda	" "	" " "	"

2. It is understood that a large number of the individuals mentioned above have been in their present capacities for a considerable length of time.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

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