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HAWAII

August 27, 1943

As of August 1, 1943.

JAPANESE ALIENS

total interned -- 17  
total in custody -- 53  
*Total 70*

U. S. DUAL CITIZENS - Japanese

total interned -- 115  
total in custody - 33  
*Total 148*

U. S. CITIZENS

total interned -- 27  
total in custody - 6  
*Total 33*

PAROLED (from July 1, 1943 to August 1, 1943)

Germans --- 4  
Japanese --- 4

RELEASED (from July 1, 1943 to August 1, 1943)

Germans --- 3  
Japanese --- 1

NAVY PRISONERS of WAR

In custody -- 3

(Part of Information used by ASW in conference with ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Attorney General  
regarding Judge Metzger's decision that Martial Law no longer exists in Hawaii)

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Testimony of Colonel Fielder on June 1, 1943, before  
Inspector General in case of Bowley Hoffman.

Q \*\*\*\* In other words, the sole consideration was whether  
or not at the time in Hawaii they were considered dangerous  
to the military security of the Island?

A That is correct. That was the sole consideration.

Q Colonel, do you feel that adequate attention has  
been given to precaution in the detention of American  
citizens and Americans generally in the operations conducted  
under martial law?

A Yes, I do, very definitely. We have always felt  
that an American citizen should be given every consideration  
before being placed in detention. To bring out the point that  
the public has been duly considered, the only thing you have  
to do is to mention the number who have been placed in  
detention, which, to my mind, is indicative of the fact that  
we haven't gone off half-cocked over here and that we have  
considered individual cases very carefully. At the present  
time (June 1, 1943) we have interned in Hawaii twenty-  
nine citizens of extraction other than Japanese. We have  
a total of 148 American citizens of Japanese extraction.  
At the present time we have interned on the Mainland  
and here only 888 persons. And when you figure that we have  
an alien population of 40,000 Japanese, about 6,000 Koreans,  
52,000 Philippines, and some 20,000 Chinese, the number is  
relatively small

Q What is the total number of all categories interned  
in the Island at the present time? Do you have the data?

A We have seventy aliens and 148 citizens. All  
of them are of Japanese extraction. In addition, we have  
twenty-nine persons of German extraction, and one person  
of Italian extraction. The total is seventy aliens and 178  
citizens.

Q How many of American nationality are at present  
interned?

A You mean Caucasian?

Q I mean native born.

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A: They are all native born. They wouldn't be citizens otherwise. So far as the Japanese are concerned, they all have to be native born.