WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY WARTIME CIVIL CONTROL ADMINISTRATION

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PERSONS OF **JAPANESE** ANCESTRY

Living in the Following Area:

All that portion of the City of Los Angeles, State of California, lying generally south of an east-west line beginning at the point at which Jackson Street meets Elliott Bay; thence easterly along Jackson Street to Fifth Avenue; thence southerly on Fifth Avenue to Dearborn Street, thence easterly on Dearborn Street to Twenty-third Avenue; thence northerly on Twenty-third Avenue to Yester Way; thence easterly on Yester Way.

Pursuant to the provisions of Civilian Exclusion Order No. 18, this Headquarters, dated April 24, 1942, all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien, will be evacuated from the above area by 12 o'clock noon, P. W. T., Friday, May 1, 1942.

No Japanese person living in the above area will be permitted to change residence after 12 o'clock noon, P. W. T., Frodhys April 24, 1942, without obtaining special permission from the representative of the Commanding General, Northys April 28, 1942, without obtaining special permission from the representative of the Commanding General, Northys April 28, 1942, without obtaining special permission from the representative of the Commanding General,

Such permits will only be granted for the purpose of uniting members of a family, or in cases of grave emergency. The Civil Control Station is equipped to assist the Japanese population affected by this evacuation in the following ways:

- 1. Give advice and instructions on the evacuation.
- Provide services with respect to the management, leasing, sale, storage or other disposition of most kinds of property, such as real estate, business and professional equipment, household goods, boats, automobiles and livestock.
- 3. Provide temporary residence elsewhere for all Japanese in family groups.
- 4. Transport persons and a limited amount of clothing and equipment to their new residence.

The Following Instructions Must Be Observed:

 A responsible member of each family, preferably the head of the family, or the person in whose name most of the property is held, and each individual living alone, will report to the Givil Control Station to receive further instructions. This must be done between 8-30 A. M. and 5-50 P. M. on Saturday, April 25, 1942, or between 8-50 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. on Sunday, April 26, 1942.

- 2. Evacuees must carry with them on departure for the Assembly Center, the following property:

- a. Bedding and linens (no mattress) for each member of the family;

 (b) Toilet articles for each member of the family;

 (c) Extra clothing for each member of the family;

 (d) Sufficient knives, forks, spoons, plates, bowls and cups for each member of the family;

 (e) Essential personal effects for each member of the family.

All items carried will be securely packaged, tied and plainly marked with the name of the owner and numbered in accordance with instructions obtained at the Civil Control Station.

The size and number of packages is limited to that which can be carried by the individual or family group.

- 3. No pets of any kind will be permitted.
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 4. The United States Government through its agencies will provide for the storage at the sole risk of the owner of the more substantial household items, such as iceboxes, washing machines, pianos and other heavy furniture. Cooking utensils and other small items will be accepted for storage if crated, packed and plainly marked with the name and address of the owner. Only one name and address will be used by a given family.
 5. Each family, and individual living alone, will be furnished transportation to the Assembly Center or will be authorized to travel by private automobile in a supervised group. All instructions pertaining to the movement will be obtained at the Civil Control Station.

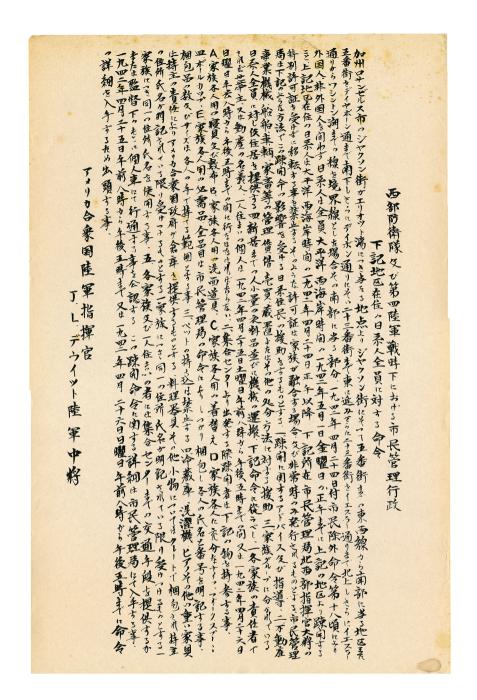
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> J. L. DeWITT Lieutenant General, U. S. Army Commanding

SEE CIVILIAN EXCLUSION ORDER NO. 18.

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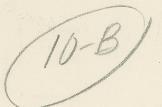
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER



Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Instice Washington, D. C.

December 10, 1941



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Major General Edwin M. Watson Secretary to the President The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear General Watson:

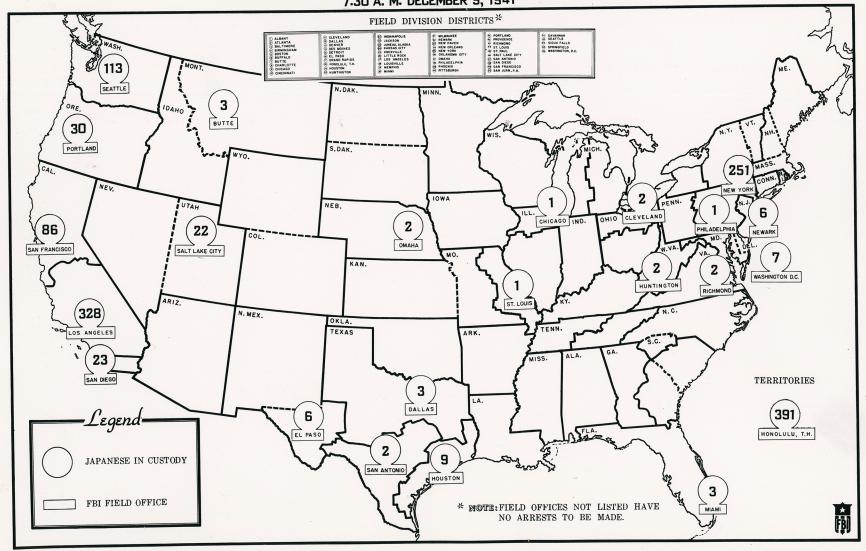
I thought it might be of interest to the President and you to have the inclosed charts before you, which show the number of Japanese, German and Italian aliens taken into custody by the FBI as of December 9th. This gives the exact location of the numbers apprehended.

Sincerely yours,

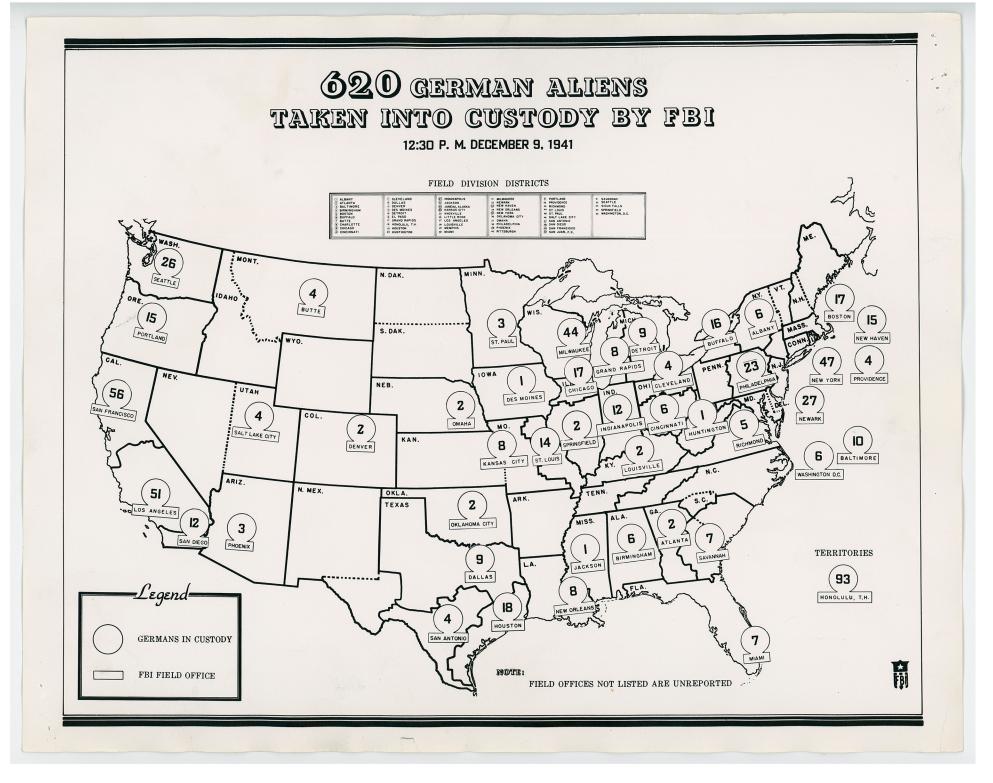
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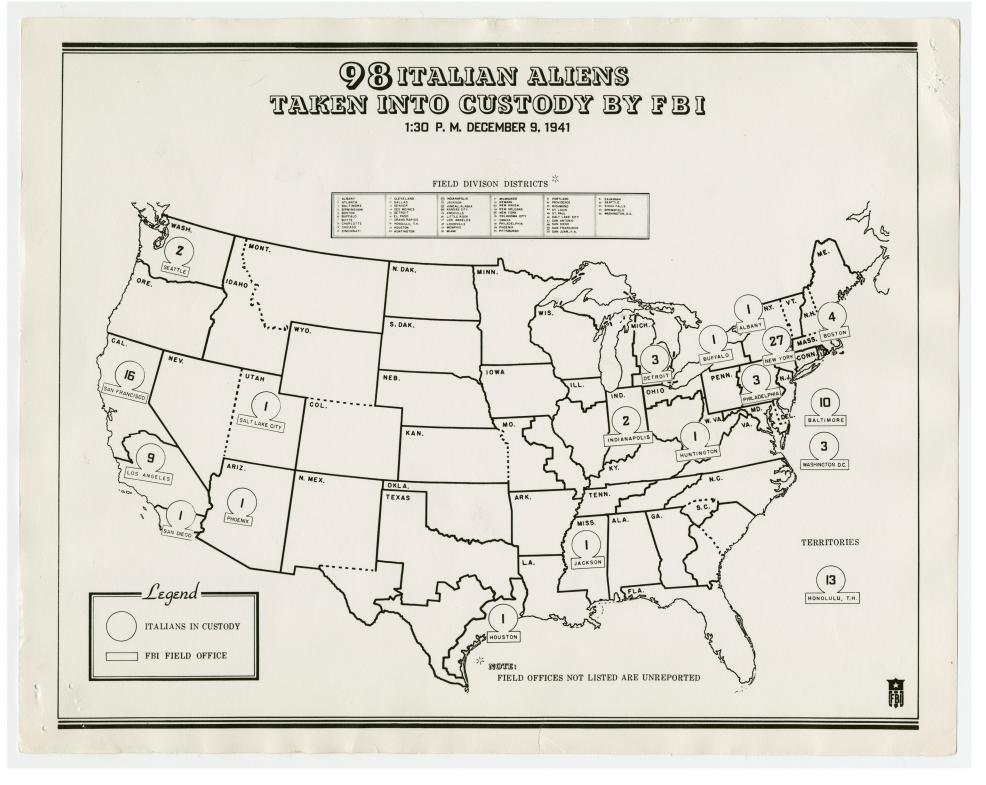
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EXECUTIVE ORDER

AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF WAR TO PRESCRIBE

WHEREAS the successful prosecution of the war requires every possible protection against espionage and against sabotage to national-defense material, national-defense premises, and national-defense utilities as defined in Section 4, Act of April 20, 1918, 40 Stat. 533, as amended by the Act of November 30, 1940, 54 Stat. 1220, and the Act of August 21, 1941, 55 Stat. 655 (U. S. C., Title 50, Sec. 104):

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority

vested in me as President of the United States, and

Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy, I hereby

authorize and direct the Secretary of War, and the

Military Commanders whom he may from time to time

designate, whenever he or any designated Commander

deems such action necessary or desirable, to prescribe

military areas in such places and of such extent as he

or the appropriate Military Commander may determine,

from which any or all persons may be excluded, and with

respect to which, the right of any person to enter, re
main in, or leave shall be subject to whatever restric
tions the Secretary of War or the appropriate Military

Commander may impose in his discretion. The Secretary of War is hereby authorized to provide for residents of any such area who are excluded therefrom, such transportation, food, shelter, and other accommodations as may be necessary, in the judgment of the Secretary of War or the said Military Commander, and until other arrangements are made, to accomplish the purpose of this order. The designation of military areas in any region or locality shall supersede designations of prohibited and restricted areas by the Attorney Ceneral under the Proclemations of December 7 and 8, 1941, and shall supersede the responsibility and authority of the Attorney General under the said Froclemations in respect of such prohibited and restricted areas.

I hereby further authorize and direct the Secretary of War and the said Military Commanders to take such other steps as he or the appropriate Military Commander may deem advisable to enforce compliance with the restrictions applicable to each Military area hereinabove authorized to be designated, including the use of Federal troops and other Federal Agencies, with authority to accept assistance of state and local agencies.

I hereby further authorize and direct all Executive Departments, independent establishments and other Federal Agencies, to assist the Secretary of War or the said Military Commanders in carrying out this Executive Order, including the furnishing of medical sid, hospitalization, food, clothing, transportation, use of land, shelter, and other supplies, equipment, utilities, facilities, and services.

This order shall not be construed as modifying or limiting in any way the authority heretofore granted under Executive Order No. 8972, dated December 12, 1941, nor shall it be construed as limiting or modifying the duty and responsibility of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with respect to the investigation of alleged acts of sabotage or the duty and responsibility of the Attorney General and the Department of Justice under the Proclamations of December 7 and 8, 1941, prescribing regulations for the conduct and control of elien enemies, except as such duty and responsibility is superseded by the designation of military areas hereunder.

THE WHITE HOUSE,

February /4, 1942.

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