Uprooted: Japanese American Farm Labor Camps During World War II

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OCHC Lee #001 Farm labor camp, Garrison’s Corner near Nyssa, Malheur County, Oregon.

Nyssa, Oregon. Farm Security Administration mobile camp now inhabited by Japanese Americans who volunteered to do farm work. The U.S. Employment Service and the local sugar beet companies made agreements as to wages, working conditions, transportation, recreational facilities and medical care. Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, LC-USF34-073574-D.

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OCHC Lee #002      Farm labor camp near Shelley, Bingham County, Idaho.

Shelley, Idaho. Farm Security Administration mobile camp. Japanese farm workers are now living at the camp. *Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, LC-USF34-073778-D.*
OCHC Lee #004   Farm labor camp near Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho.

Rupert, Idaho. Former Civilian Conservation Corps camp now under Farm Security Administration management. The Japanese Americans beautify the grounds. *Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, LC-USF34-073909-D.*
OCHC Lee #005    Tents at the Garrison’s Corner camp near Nyssa, Oregon.

Nyssa, Oregon. Farm Security Administration mobile camp. Ordinarily electricity is not supplied to the tents of migrant families living in the FSA camps. These Japanese-Americans, who were accustomed to better living conditions, wanted the electricity and the sugar beet companies and the town of Nyssa arranged for the wiring. Some of the wiring is the Christmas tree light wiring from Nyssa. Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, LC-USF34-073349-D.
Nyssa, Oregon. Farm Security Administration mobile camp. Tent home of Japanese-American family living at the camp. *Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, LC-USF34-073602-D.*
Laundry room at the Garrison’s Corner camp near Nyssa, Oregon.

Nyssa, Oregon. Farm Security Administration mobile camp. Laundry room. Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, LC-USF34-073694-E.