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WPA Undergoes Operation

The WPA rolls in Arkansas are being cut in half because of limited funds made available by Congress last week, according to Floyd Sharp, State WPA Administrator. WPA workers in Arkansas numbered 17,000 last month, and this will be reduced to 8,600. While this will no doubt seem a severe blow to many who are thus thrown out of work, it is the sensible thing to do at this time, when all manpower is needed for war industries and to work on the farms of the state. The WPA was formed to help tide over persons who were unemployed. At that time it was sorely needed, but now it has become more of a hinderance to the war effort in many instances. Everyone who has a WPA job, even if he is retained on the rolls, should try his best to find employment in private or war work, because, if the trend follows through, there may be no WPA at all in another year.

As if shoving off several thousand Japs on the people of southeast Arkansas were not enough, there is a masterful touch of irony in the fact that one of the towns near the Jap reservation in Desha