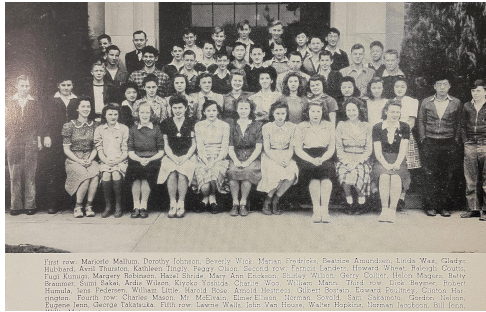


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A black and white photograph showing a vineyard in the foreground with rows of grapevines. In the middle ground, there is a large, flat, rectangular structure, possibly a covered walkway or a greenhouse. In the background, a body of water (Lake Michigan) is visible, along with distant hills and a forested area. The sky is overcast.



Following removal in May of 1942, the Kungugi family were brought to the Pinedale Assembly Center in Fresno, California for two months. They were then relocated to the Tule Lake Internment camp in California² along with an estimated 120 Japanese Vashon residents⁷. Tule Lake, which was only in operation for about 2 years, regularly endured rough climates. This included long and cold winters, and hot and dry summers. Security features consisted of 28 guard towers, multiple security fences, a military police compound, and a high security stockade and jail. The Japanese were housed in more than 1,000 barracks, served by latrines, mess halls, and other communal buildings. The camps also included typical premises such as a post office, a high school, a hospital, a cemetery, factories, and more. Tule Lake was the largest of the 10 WRA camps at this time¹⁰.

Ensuing her release, Fuji relocated to Spokane, Washington with a relocation grant¹. At this location, she got a job as a waiter. She also married a man named William A. Zachow at the age of 22⁵. She lived with her husband until they subsequently divorced. Fuji later on remarried to Frank N. Giles⁶. After their marriage, they moved to Vancouver, Washington and had a child³. They resided here until the death of Frank Giles when Fuji was 50 years of age¹³. Years later, Fuji died in Oregon on

February 22, 2011 around the age of 84¹². She was buried in Clark County, Vancouver¹⁴.

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