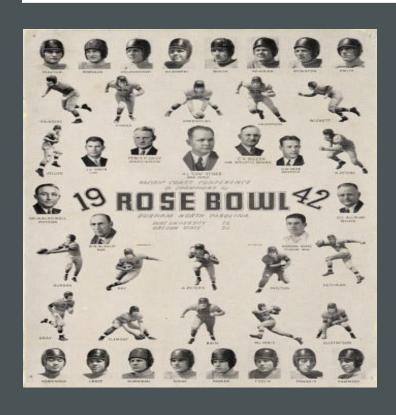
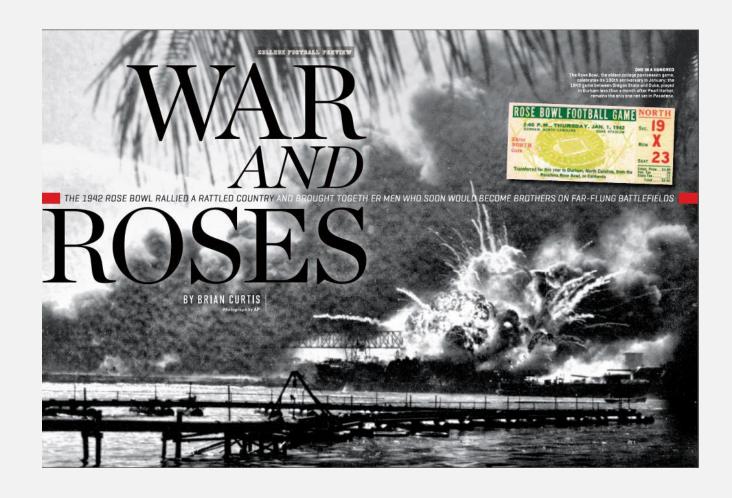
HI 254: MODERN AMERICAN HISTORY

Lecture 16: March 16, 2020

SNAPSHOTS OF AMERICAN CULTURE (1942 ROSE BOWL)





HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- Pearl Harbor 12/7/41
- Rose Bowl scheduled for 1/1/42
- Fear of more attacks on West Coast (especially large crowds)
- After Tournament of Roses Committee canceled game, Duke (one of the teams) offered to host
- Oregon State's long strange trip (Chicago, D.C., Durham)



THE GAME AND ITS BROADER MEANING

- Duke Stadium (Wallace Wade Stadium) (additional seating from UNC, NC State)
- No parade (Queen and Court drove down empty Colorado Blvd.)
- Oregon State beat Duke 20-16
- Chiaki "Jack" Yoshihara, Oregon State player, not allowed to travel with team
- Why was it important that the game was played?
- In what other ways did WWII impact American sport?



JAPANESE INTERNMENT



WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY WARTIME CIVIL CONTROL ADMINISTRATION

Presidio of San Francisco, California May 15, 1942

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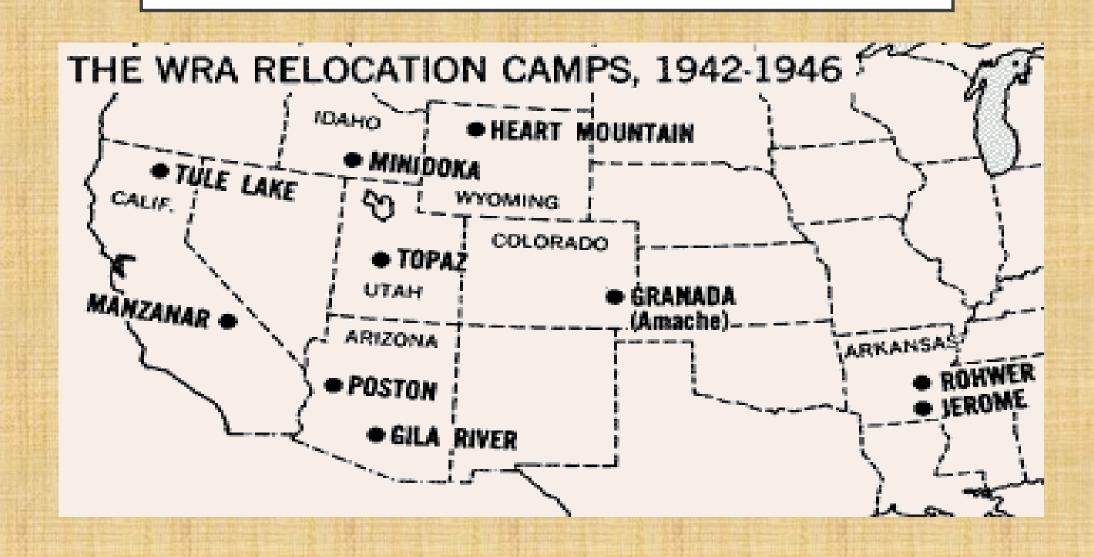
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PEARL HARBOR TO E.O. 9066

- December 7, 1941: Pearl Harbor
- February 1942: FDR issued E.O. 9066
 - Delegated to Sec. of War broad discretion to establish military zone along West Coast
 - Banned certain civilian from area to protect "against espionage and against sabotage"
 - One week later: military ordered people of Japanese descent to evacuate zone, claiming military necessity (and protection of Japanese Americans)
- March 1942: Congress criminalized noncompliance with 9066 and created War Relocation Authority
- By October 1942:WRA forcibly removed over 120,000 Japanese Americans to 10 Relocation Camps
- (Arizona, Northern California, Arkansas, Utah, Idaho, Colorado, Wyoming)

RELOCATION CAMP SYSTEM



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HEART MOUNTAIN AS CASE STUDY

- Opened August 1942 (NW WY)
- August 1942 to November 1945 federal government imprisoned 14K people at HMRC
- Peak population 10,767 (largest city in WY)
- 46,000 acres (area had once been Crow tribal land)
- January 1944: HMRC became site of political protest in reaction to government reopening selective service (draft) to Japanese Americans (including those in camps)
- Many reported for service
- About 300 openly refused to serve unless government restored civil rights
- Heart Mountain's Fair Play Committee: initially formed as voice for better camp conditions, issued manifesto protesting draft
- Government arrested, tried, and jailed 63 draft resisters and 6 "conspiracy leaders"

AMERICA'S MEA CULPA

- 1983: Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians report characterized internment as unjustified and outside letter and spirit of American law
- 1988: Civil Liberties Act paid reparations to former incarcerees

