

We were seated on a wooden platform perhaps 20 feet square and raised five feet above the ground level. There were four of us ^{sitting} ~~seated~~ on wooden ~~form~~ ^{folding} chairs, ^{that were had} carried here only minutes before from the converted barracks ^{office} building a few hundred feet away. A fifth chair, in the center of our line of chairs is vacant and Ellis T. Pulliam the manager of Franco Assembly, is standing before a microphone at the front edge of the platform. He is talking to the Japanese evacuees who are ^{massed} ~~standing~~ in an irregular half circle of ^{massed} ~~numerous~~ ~~women and children~~ ^{children} before him.

The folding chairs we occupy are shoddy new with slightly shaped ^{molded} ply wood seats as you have