

From Robert Merry's *Wall Street Journal* review of Robert Dallek's
Franklin D. Roosevelt: A Political Life:

“Neither does Mr. Dallek give his readers a clear picture of the diplomatic brutality undergirding U.S. relations with Japan after Roosevelt pushed that country into a position of near desperation – and forced a confrontation – by barring exports of raw materials to that country in 1940, then expanding the embargo to oil in 1941. Having placed Japan under a crushing economic strain, Washington showed no willingness to negotiate a way out of the impasse short of Japanese humiliation. That FDR knew this policy would likely lead to a Japanese attack in Asia is attested to by the fact that he initiated a program to collect the names and addresses of all Japanese Americans, whether born in Japan or the United States. Thus began the infamous internment program – 11 days before Pearl Harbor.

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In 1925, Franklin D. Roosevelt for the *Macon (GA) Daily Telegraph*:
“Anyone who has traveled in the Far East knows that the mingling of Asiatic blood with European or American blood produces, in nine cases out of ten, the most unfortunate results”