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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

RELOCATION PROGRESS REPORT

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MONTH May

CENTER Gila River

I. NUMBER IN CENTER ON THE		NO. BASIC FAMILY UNITS	NO. IND. INVOLVED IN RELO. PLANS
A. First day of month		3093	8625
B. Last day of month		2992	8212
II. NUMBER RELOCATED DURING MONTH		103	397
A. Number of welfare referrals relocated		28	56
B. Number of other families relocated		75	341
III. NUMBER OF FAMILIES REPRESENTED IN DISCUSSION (OR DISCUSSIONS) OF PLANS FOR RELOCATION DURING MONTH		1224	3056
A. Number referred from Welfare Section for relocation advising during month		86	271
B. Number referred to Welfare Section for counseling during month		55	195
IV. NUMBER OF FAMILY SUMMARIES SENT TO FIELD DURING MONTH		247	890
A. Community Invitation		247	890
B. Advance Approval		0	0
V. APPLICATION FOR RELOCATION ASSISTANCE GRANTS			
ITEM	NUMBER APPLICATIONS	NUMBER IND. INCLUDED	AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE
RECEIVED			AMOUNT PER PERSON
APPROVED			
VI. MEETINGS OF RELOCATION PLANNING COMMISSION		0	
VII. MEETINGS OF STAFF RELOCATION COMMITTEE		4	
VIII. MEETINGS OF RELOCATION EXECUTIVE BOARD		0	
IX. MEETINGS OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE (INFORMATION COMMITTEE)		2	

X. Narrative Statement of Progress on Center Organization for Relocation Planning.

The Central Block Managers in Butte and Canal have been able to recruit a person in each block whose duties will be primarily concerned with post-exclusion planning. These relocation Assistants will be placed on the payroll as of June 1. It is planned that this body will meet at least once a week and possibly more with Assistant Relocation Advisers and Junior Counselors and will be guided to a large extent by community and district chairman. These Assistants will be expected to make periodic calls at the Relocation and Welfare offices and will assist on special individual and family cases wherein counseling or assistance is necessary. They will maintain adequate block relocation libraries and recommend types of information which a specific block or family may need and will post all types of job opportunities as well as miscellaneous information on relocation that is available through the Reports Office. If locality group discussions become necessary in blocks either by districts or by communities it will be their duty to assist in scheduling them. In cases where residents are inquiring about assistance or information and it comes to the attention of the Relocation Assistants it will be given to these Assistants who will be held responsible in keeping them current. We are satisfied that the persons recruited for these jobs in the majority of blocks will be able to perform a reasonably good service to the residents.

In the interests of relocation a poll was conducted by the Community Council Chairman of Butte among the current graduates. As a result it was disclosed the # 91 had definite plans for relocation, 18 were uncertain and 17 declared that they were not planning.

During the month of May the Staff Relocation Committee met four times to discuss various phases of relocation. The Committee set up a speaker and Film Bureau consisting of the Community Activities Supervisor as Chairman and three principals from the Education Section. Recommendations were made in the field of Adult Education and at a subsequent date the Education Section made plans for short courses in cooking, and domestic service. A report by Shotaro Hikida, chairman of the Butte Relocation Planning Commission, was made to the Committee at its last meeting. He gave a very fine account of his 60 day exploratory trip to the midwest and east.

XI. Narrative Statement of Progress in the Family Interviewing and Relocation Advising Program.

Two outside Relocation Officers, Mr. Gordon Berryman of the New York office and Mr. Homer Hill of Dallas, Texas, assisted us on detail assignments during the month. Berryman was able to spend four weeks at our center while Mr. Hill was with us for a period of two weeks. A great number of contacts were made by these Officers which proved to be invaluable.

Four districts have been set up in Butte and two in Canal as a result of recommendations made by the Washington office. District responsibilities have been assumed by the Assistant Relocation Advisers since the first week in May and the results are gratifying. Further success for the districting plan will be implemented by the creation of Relocation Assistant openings.

There was unusual activity among Parolees in making plans for resettlement. In cases where these persons desire to make applications to have their parolee status changed we have assisted them to the extent of our ability. There has been a great deal of concern among this group that life on the outside will be quite difficult as long as they are required to report weekly or even monthly.

XII. Narrative Statement of Program for Presenting Relocation Information to Evacuees.

The most significant happening during the month which affected community thinking was the round table discussions held in various districts in the Butte community. As a result of an experiment in one of the blocks these discussions were planned with community-wide emphasis in collaboration with the Block Managers and the Chairman of the Council. Posters were distributed to all barracks revealing that the purpose of these meetings was to afford every resident chance to sit down informally after dinner to discuss his or her relocation problems with the Chief of Community Management, Relocation Program Officer and Evacuee Property Officer. Eight of the twelve scheduled discussions have already been held which were attended by 480 persons of whom over 90% have been Issei. We have tried indirectly to accentuate the fact of center closing and to lend belief to the fact that there will not be formal schooling after the 31st of August. At the same time we have stressed the opportunity for individual or family counseling in Relocation and Welfare. The fact that the Central Block Manager and Community Council Chairman of Butte acted as interpreters has added considerable prestige to this type of activity since they are familiar with current problems on relocation.

In cooperation with the Reports Office the Canal Relocation Office has submitted a list of residents who are not currently interested in relocation in order that various types of informational data can be mailed to them directly. Such a list is being compiled also for the Butte Community.

The visit of Reverend Kyogoku of Topaz created interest among those who plan to resettle in the Fresno area. Plans were

almost completed for the creation of a hostel in Fresno which will open sometime in the month of June with Rev. Fujinaga of the Center in charge of its operation.

Now that Kay Kuwada has relocated we are a little concerned about the future of our Japanese relocation supplement which he so successfully edited. It is hoped that Mr. Hikida of the Commission will be able to compose several articles for the Courier before he leaves on or about the middle of June.

XIII. Special Progress Made or Problems Incurred on Relocation

The problem of maintaining adequate personnel will somewhat be alleviated by the detail of teachers to Relocation and Welfare until August 31st. A great number of meetings with Personnel and Education have been held in working out specific assignments. We do not want to minimize the importance of having teachers round out these staffs but we realize that it will be difficult to maintain stability in our offices with personnel on detail who would naturally be looking for a chart opening or for a job on the outside.

XIV. Recommendations for Improvements in the Relocation Program.

We are a little bewildered about the extent of assistance which offices in the Western Relocation Division can provide.

It is perhaps natural that some of the service provided by the smaller offices should be more extensive. In some instances we have had unusually fine cooperation, particularly in Santa Barbara, San Jose, Santa Rosa and Sacramento in matters which affect not only ordinary functions in relocation but those pertaining to property matters as well. In some cases evacuees are being referred to the USES without prior groundwork by the WRA which has resulted in a disheartening search for employment. In other cases persons have a letter of introduction to an office relative to a property problem which may mean an intercession with an OPA or WPB board but have returned to the project without having accomplished what they set out to do. We feel that it would be well if the Relocation Offices on the West Coast would outline to the project the general extent of their assistance so that we are better able to provide counseling as to what they may expect.

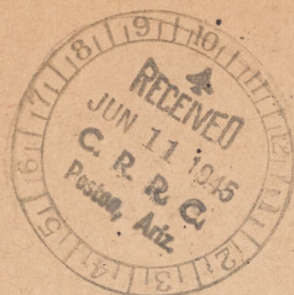


WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

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Relocation Progress Report

Month <u>May</u>	<u>Center- Heart Mountain</u>	
	Number basic family units	Number individuals involved in relo- cation plans
I. Number in center on the		
A. First day of month	<u>2658</u>	<u>7514</u>
B. Last day of month	<u>2496</u>	<u>7049</u>
II. Number relocated during month	<u>162</u>	<u>472</u>
A. Number of welfare referrals relocated	<u>7</u>	<u>20</u>
B. Number of other families relo- cated.	<u>155</u>	<u>452</u>
III. Number of families represented in discussion (or discussions) of plans for relocation during month.	<u>546</u>	<u>1478</u>
A. Number referred from Welfare Section for relocation advising during month.	<u>33</u>	<u>111</u>
B. Number referred to Welfare Section for counseling during month.	<u>15</u>	<u>33</u>
IV. Number of family summaries sent to field during month	<u>320</u>	<u>804</u>
A. Community Invitation	<u>205</u>	<u>460</u>
B. Advance Approval	<u>29</u>	<u>82</u>
C. Evacuated Area	<u>86</u>	<u>262</u>



V. APPLICATIONS FOR RELOCATION ASSISTANCE GRANTS.

Item	Number Applications	Number Individuals Included	Amount of Assistance	Average Amt. Per Person
Received	350	681	\$36,947.13	\$54.25
Approved	350	681	\$36,947.13	\$54.25

- VI. MEETINGS OF RELOCATION PLANNING COMMISSION NONE
- VII. MEETINGS OF STAFF RELOCATION COMMITTEE NONE
- VIII. MEETINGS OF RELOCATION EXECUTIVE BOARD NONE
- IX. MEETINGS OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Information Committee) NONE
- X. NARRATIVE STATEMENT ON PROGRESS OF CENTER ORGANIZATION FOR RELOCATION PLANNING: (Include statements about evacuee participation, staff coordination and joint planning of staff and evacuees.)

A meeting of the Northwest people was held which was attended by about 150. Mr. Murray Stebbins gave an informal talk about the area in general and spoke in detail about the Yakima Valley.

Another meeting of all the high school seniors was held and Mr. Carl Spicer gave a talk on the Great Lakes Area.

The weekly forum is still being held.

There are no new developments regarding the Relocation Planning Commission.

XI. NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF PROGRESS IN THE FAMILY INTERVIEWING AND RELOCATION ADVISING PROGRAM.

Up until the last week of the month only 12 family heads, per day, were being called in for an interview as there were enough coming in voluntarily to keep the Assistant Advisors busy. However, we have increased the number of Assistant Advisors and we are now calling in 20 per day. During the month there were 1116 family heads who contacted the Division for advising. For the period January through May 1387 summaries representing 3206 people were sent to the field.

XII. NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF PROGRAM FOR PRESENTING RELOCATION INFORMATION TO EVACUEES. (INCLUDE USE PART OF "FACTS ABOUT AMERICA" SERIES AND OTHER MATERIALS, AND DEVELOPMENT OF RELOCATION LIBRARY.)

No changes.



XIII. SPECIAL PROGRESS MADE, OR PROBLEMS INCURRED ON RELOCATION.

Each week there is a noticeable increase in the number of people completing departure papers. For the month of May there were 756 departures documented. An interesting thing is the great number of families relocating in the full unit and also the number who are joining other members who have previously relocated.

The Assistant Advisors are instructed to discourage family heads taking temporary employment, such as agricultural work, railroad work, and leaving their family behind until later. This may effect in total number, at present, those going out but it is our opinion that this type of temporary relocation is nothing more or less than seasonal leave. On the other hand if a family has no plans the family head, or an employable member, is encouraged to go to some point and work out a plan and then send for the balance of the family. We have had employers, among which are Railroads, Saw-mills and particularly Sugar Companies, in which they have attempted to secure an agreement with us where they would hire employable members of a family on a temporary basis and after the work is over they could come back to the Center to work out a final relocation plan. We have not nor will not agree to such a plan for it would not be consistent with the Post Exclusion program. We know, of course, that we cannot stop a family head from engaging in such a practice but unless he can evidence good reasons for proceeding that way we discourage him. We believe that by following this policy that we have had pretty sound relocation planning in most all of our cases.

During the month, we had a special car leave for the West Coast carrying between 50 and 60 people. The plan was so successful that we are now planning on running two specials each month. Special cars are made up for Northern California, Southern California and a car for Chicago and points East. While there may be some disadvantages to this there are many advantages. It enables the aged and ill people to accompany younger people and Nisei, while traveling, who will assist them. It is particularly a help to Issei who are unable to speak English.

A most important psychological effect is the impression it gives to those who are still remaining. The day the first special car left, there were over 1500 people at the depot. On June 4, there will be a five car special train, carrying approximately 225 people, composed of four coaches, two to Northern California, one to Southern California, one to the East and a baggage car. This will operate purely as a special train, composed of evacuees, to Billings, Montana, and there it will become part of the regular Northern Pacific Service. For four or five days preceding the departure, there is considerable activity concerning the movement all of which has good effect on the residents. There are crews assigned with a fleet of trucks, to pick up family heads and their baggage taking them to the Leave Section, for issuance of the transportation request and securing the assistance grant and then they are taken to the depot where the tickets are secured and all of the checkable baggage checked. On the evening of departure, which was set for 7:30 P.M., to permit all remaining residents wishing to do so to witness the departure, they will be picked up in passenger cars and taken to the depot. There have been over 2500 special gate passes issued to people to see the train off and it is estimated there will be four thousand in all by the day of departure. The evacuee property officer was able to have two full cars of freight shipped.

XVI. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN RELOCATION PROGRAM.

No Comments.



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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

RELOCATION PROGRESS REPORT

MONTH May 1945CENTER Central Utah

NUMBER BASIC

NUMBER INDIVIDUALS

FAMILY UNITS

INVOLVED IN RELO-
CATION PLANS

I. NUMBER IN CENTER ON THE

A. FIRST DAY OF MONTH

2067*

5438*

B. LAST DAY OF MONTH

5172

II. NUMBER RELOCATED DURING MONTH

267

A. NUMBER OF WELFARE REFERRALS
RELOCATED

8

8

B. NUMBER OF OTHER FAMILIES RELOCATED

70

188

III. NUMBER OF FAMILIES REPRESENTED IN
DISCUSSION (OR DISCUSSIONS) OF PLANS
FOR RELOCATION DURING MONTH

22

A. NUMBER REFERRED FROM WELFARE
SECTION FOR RELOCATION ADVISING
DURING MONTH

10

14

B. NUMBER REFERRED TO WELFARE
SECTION FOR COUNSELING DURING
MONTH

5

19

IV. NUMBER OF FAMILY SUMMARIES SENT TO
FIELD DURING MONTH

136

376

A. COMMUNITY INVITATION

118

354

B. ADVANCE APPROVAL

18

22

* Includes persons on trial indefinite and short term leaves.

** Not recorded during May. Are being tabulated in June for June report.

V. APPLICATIONS FOR RELOCATION ASSISTANCE GRANTS.

ITEM	NUMBER APPLICATIONS	NUMBER INDIVIDUALS INCLUDED	AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE	AVERAGE AMT. PER PERSON
RECEIVED	162	256	\$14,080.64	\$ 54.88
APPROVED				

VI. MEETINGS OF RELOCATION PLANNING COMMISSION

VII. MEETINGS OF STAFF RELOCATION COMMITTEE

VIII. MEETINGS OF RELOCATION EXECUTIVE BOARD

IX. MEETINGS OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE (INFORMATION COMMITTEE)

X. NARRATIVE STATEMENT ON PROGRESS OF CENTER ORGANIZATION FOR RELOCATION PLANNING. (INCLUDE STATEMENTS ABOUT EVACUEE PARTICIPATION, STAFF COORDINATION AND JOINT PLANNING OF STAFF AND EVACUEES.)



X. Narrative Statement on Progress of Center Organization for Relocation Planning

There were two meetings of the Staff Relocation Committee in May for discussion of current problems and trends in relocation. Minutes of each have been forwarded to Washington.

There was no formal meetings with evacuee committees during the month. The chairman of the Community Council and the chairman of the Block Managers were out of the center on a short term trip to the West Coast. However there was contact with both of these groups in interpreting the merger of the Welfare Section with the Relocation Division. Mr. Pratt and Mr. Sekerak met with the Block Managers twice during the month to discuss plans for closer relationship with the blocks. These discussions were very helpful and the general plan has been well received by both groups.

The relocation staff met almost daily during the first ten or twelve days of the month in training sessions. One general staff meeting was held on May 31st.

XI. Narrative Statement of progress in the Family Interviewing and Relocation Advising Program

Relocation advising is going on at such a rate that no one recently has had time to do any real re-capitulation. However through a new statistical device, this will be taken care of in future reports.

XII. Narrative Statement of Program for Presenting Relocation Information to Evacuees

Several issues of a new Topaz publication, "Relocation News" published by the Reports Division has been given distribution to each occupied apartment. Printed in both languages and containing only relocation items, it has been well received by the population.

A set of four reels on New York, Chicago, Baltimore and Washington D. C. was shown in eight different dining halls to a total of approximately 1,000 persons. At each showing a "district" or "area" worker from the Relocation-Welfare Division was introduced as the worker for the blocks covered in the showing. The movies were good for general stimulation value. Other similar showings will be planned by Relocation, Reports and Community Activities (who furnish the projector and projectionist).

A full-time evacuee librarian and assistant receptionist has been added to the staff and an appointed staff member, detailed from education, will be added soon to oversee the library work as well as handle some walk-in interviews. The library is being used more and more by the public.



1. The first part of the document is a letter from the President of the University of Illinois at Chicago to the Board of Trustees. The letter discusses the university's financial situation and the need for a new building for the School of Business Administration. The President requests that the Board approve a \$10 million bond issue to fund the construction of the new building. The letter also mentions the university's commitment to academic excellence and its efforts to attract top faculty and students.

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XIII. Special Progress made, or Problems incurred on Relocation

The merger of the Welfare Section with the Relocation Division has been accomplished during the month. The counseling unit and the administrative unit have been moved so that they each now occupy two facing barracks in block 2, under the over-all supervision of Claud Pratt as Assistant Relocation Program Officer. The center has been divided into four areas and 12 districts. Each area supervisor is responsible for the district workers and one or more evacuee interviewers. The district workers have been introduced to their districts and are holding office hours there each day.

An intensive course of in-service training (of more than 15 hours) was given to all workers to acquaint them with all new functions. Supervisors meetings are being held twice a week now.

Those districts which because of staff shortage do not have an assigned district worker are being left uncovered until the staff is complete. The area supervisor handles all office interviews for districts within his area, when the district worker is out. So far 21 of the 34 blocks in the center have assigned district workers. With staff additions now in process, the center should have very nearly complete coverage by July 1st.

Files have been moved to another barrack in block 2 where they are under the supervision of the Central Statistics Section with messenger service. The administrative unit which includes all processing of public assistance grants, relocation and travel grants, rationing, clothing, housing and special services is under the direct supervision of the Leave Officer at present. This unit also includes a stenographic pool which is operating fairly satisfactorily. With the exception of the secretary of the Assistant Relocation Program Officer and an evacuee time-keeper clerk, there are no clerical staff located in the counseling unit barracks.

The Relocation Library is located at the main entrance of the counseling unit and the evacuee in-take worker and the evacuee hostel worker, (who also assists with in-take) are stationed there. All reference material manuals, etc. for the use of the counseling staff is in the Relocation Library.

The Evacuee Property Office has been moved to the administrative unit barracks and the ex-Leave Officer now acting as Assistant Evacuee Property Officer will share some of the responsibilities of the newly-appointed Leave Officer--- (particularly transportation arrangements) in order to relieve the increased burden of the Leave Office.

Although the Assistant Relocation Program Officer is also responsible for the administrative unit, every effort is being made to strengthen this unit so that he can devote the major



Transportation and baggage handling are major problems and will probably continue to be. We find the use of special coaches the only solution. Part of our difficulty is the train schedule which necessitates departure from the center at 4:00 A.M. for a large percentage of the relocatees. A night shift is practically necessary to assist large group movements.

- XIV. We are finding it increasingly difficult to enforce the provisions of Manual 150.1.9C (1) in the removal of evacuee property from the center warehouses. The same conditions - lack of family housing, a contemplated second move and other personal reasons - as are outlined for the possible 90 day extension through the area relocation supervisor - pertain also to evacuee property stored in the center and yet if we interpret our manual correctly, it states firmly that no extension beyond the 60 days may be made for property at centers.

We need provision for the same 90 day extension for property stored at the center or we are going to run into the penalty clause and cause considerable hardship to evacuees who have already had their property in storage at the center for 60 days and still are not in position to remove it.

In our April report, we suggested some inter-center clearance of private evacuee property sales transactions to enable center residents to know of opportunities to buy or sell personal or real property before it is put up for sale outside of the centers. We still think this a good idea and see evidences of its value every day, but from one center it seems impossible to set up such machinery and feel it should be done through Washington or the Evacuee Property Office in San Francisco.



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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Relocation Progress Report

Month	May	Center	Manzanar
		Number basic family units	Number individuals involved in relocation plans
I. Number in center on the			
A. First day of month		1915 *	4901 *
B. Last day of month		1780 *	4523 *
II. Number relocated during month		217 **	400 ***
A. Number of welfare referrals relocated		30	150
B. Number of other families relocated		137	250
III. Number of families represented in discussion (or discussions) of plans for relocation during month		810	1671
A. Number referred from Welfare Section for relocation advising during month		5	13
B. Number referred to Welfare Section for counseling during month		219	517
IV. Number of family summaries sent to field during month		101	256
A. Community Invitation		101	256
B. Advance Approval		0	0
V. Application for Relocation Assistance Grants			

Item	Number Applications	Number Individuals Included	Amount of Assistance	Average Amt. Per Person
Received	225	398	19462.62	48.90
Approved	225	398	19462.62	48.90

- * excludes visitors
 ** includes groups from families still counted in 1B.
 *** includes 6 conversions; does not equal 1A less 1B.

VI. Meetings of Relocation Planning Commission	<u>2 *</u>
VII. Meetings of Staff Relocation Committee	<u>0</u>
VIII. Meetings of Relocation Executive Board	<u>0</u>
IX. Meetings of Coordinating Committee (Information Committee)	
X. Narrative statement on progress of center organization for relocation planning. (Include statements about evacuee participation, staff coordination and joint planning of staff and evacuees.)	

The Project Director again requested each appointed staff member to undertake responsibility for the relocation of at least one family a month. The major part of a general staff meeting was devoted to the problems of relocation and the part that staff members could play in hastening completion of the program. A committee composed of Walter A. Heath, Relocation Program Officer, chairman; Ann S. Anderson, Personnel Officer; and Virgil Morgan, Procurement Officer, met and drew up a series of guides for staff members in carrying out the "one family a month" plan.

The Block Managers have been assuming an increasing amount of responsibility for relocation. This has become the major subject for consideration at Block Managers' meetings. A recent report by Block Managers indicates that approximately one-third of families on the Center have made plans to leave, that one-third are working on plans, and that one-third have not as yet begun to prepare for relocation. Kiyoharu Anzai, Central Block Manager, has just returned from a short term leave to Los Angeles and seems completely sold on the program. Block Managers are also assisting in obtaining the information requested in Mr. H. Rex Lee's letter. They are making a survey of all residents who are interested in getting in touch with former employers. This includes domestic employees, as requested in Mr. Lee's letter, and persons formerly engaged in other types of work as well. Several of the Block Managers have become very active in working with the Relocation Division on specific job offers for members of their blocks. These Managers make frequent contact with the Relocation Advisor or the Assistant Relocation Advisors to learn about the most attractive job offers.

The Relocation Division has met with the Welfare Section several times during the past month to improve coordination of the two units and to work out the new procedures for administration of resettlement funds. Several of these meetings have been with Mrs. Lane of the Washington office, who has been helpful in answering questions about recent procedures. It has finally been decided that the Relocation Division will do preliminary screening on requests for temporary resettlement assistance. The Welfare Section will hold detailed interviews and determine the amounts of grants to be made.

* Zadankai, a evacuee discussion group concerned with problems of relocation, had two meetings. This group does not desire any official connection with the administration, but includes in its membership evacuee interviewers, and also occasionally invites appointive staff members.



- XI. Narrative statement on progress in the Family Interviewing and Relocation Advising Program.

Relocation Advisors and Interviewers are now preparing case lists of all persons interviewed and the disposition of the cases. Duplicates of these lists are sent daily to the Welfare Section so that they will be informed of all persons requesting relocation interviews.

- XII. Narrative statement of program for presenting relocation information to evacuees. (Include use made of "Facts about America" series and other materials, and development of Relocation Library.)

A number of meetings have been held during the month in which persons from outside the Center have described local conditions and job opportunities. Meetings were conducted by, or featured, Daniel C. Chapman from the Philadelphia WRA Office, William Mori of Massachusetts, and James M. Jennings from the Salt Lake City WRA Office.

A Relocation Supplement is being published once a week by the Reports Division in collaboration with the Relocation Division. The success of this publication has been indicated by people coming in to obtain further details on jobs listed in the Supplement.

Announcements have been made through Block Managers about specific job offers and about meetings to be held on the Center in connection with relocation. The Education Section had a "Relocation Day" which stressed all phases of relocation. They also published in their elementary school paper a number of articles about relocation.

- XIII. Special progress made, or problems incurred on relocation.

Increased participation of the Block Managers has been obtained during the past month.

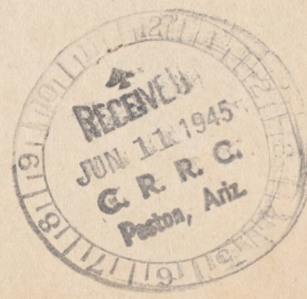
Center residents continue to show considerable enthusiasm for relocation to Los Angeles but express discouragement at the fact that job offers from Los Angeles, with but three or four exceptions, have been for gardeners and domestic workers. Residents also continue to report that no solution has been found for the problem of permanent housing. Less than fifty residents returned to the Coast on Terminal Leave during the month. Perhaps as many as 1500 persons are waiting a chance to return to the Los Angeles area.

The two most experienced evacuee interviewers relocated to Philadelphia the latter part of the month, leaving the office with only one Relocation Advisor, two Assistant Relocation Advisors, and two Relocation Interviewers. However, arrangements have been made for the detail of three Japanese speaking school teachers to the Section as soon as school is out. A member of the Administrative Management Division will be transferred to the Relocation Office as Assistant Relocation Advisor at the beginning of next month if Civil Service approval can be obtained. One new person has also been obtained as an Assistant Relocation Advisor. We are still very desirous of obtaining an Assistant Relocation Program Officer, preferably with experience in agriculture. The close of school has temporarily provided school girls for clerical work. However, we expect to lose

most of these employees in the next two months after which time we will probably require almost a complete staff of appointive employees. We are particularly anxious to have a position of Assistant Leave Officer (CAF-5) authorized. The Leave Officer position is extremely complicated and we feel that there might be considerable delay in operations if the present incumbent were to leave without having an adequately trained understudy to replace her.

XIV. Recommendations for improvements in relocation program.

The new procedure on temporary resettlement assistance is expected to prove much more satisfactory than the old. At the moment, we are not sure that the total sum available will be sufficient. It is hoped that some provision will be made to permit an increase in the percentage of families needing temporary assistance if the average amount per family can be kept at a lower figure than that estimated by the Washington office. We may also request permission to transfer funds from allotments for dependency cases to allotments for non-dependency cases if experience indicates that this is necessary.

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File Returns
461 Market Street

January 15, 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. R. B. Cozens
Assistant Director

SUBJECT: Project Information

In a telephone conversation, Mr. Tozier requests that we furnish the projects with the following information:

1. What has been the reception of the evacuees on the West Coast?
2. What has been the reception in the rural areas?
3. What has been the reception of groups of evacuees returning?
4. What information is there available on dependency cases and the promptness with which service has been given? The Washington office would like to reassure those in the projects that the Welfare Division is receiving cooperation from West Coast agencies and requests a number of specific instances.
5. What legal aid has been given in the termination of leases?
6. What is the availability of housing?
7. What has been done in the matter of farm loans in specific cases?
8. What information is available on the limits of travel? (Five-mile restriction).
9. Does the travel restriction regulation of the Department of Justice apply equally to other enemy aliens?
10. To what extent does the curfew regulation apply?
11. Are the U.S. District Attorneys interpreting the travel regulations differently in the several areas involved?

A letter involving these questions will be sent from Dillon Myer within the next few days.

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