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CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
Topaz, Utah

In reply, please refer to:

Community Services--Welfare Section

October 27, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Charles F. Ernst  
Project Director

SUBJECT: A Home for the Aged and Chronic Patients

After a thorough study into the conditions of the aged, single and chronic patients in this center, we are of the opinion that a Home, specifically set up to house these cases, will be valuable and beneficial to all parties concerned; and we hereby wish to present our ideas before you.

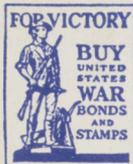
We believe that such a home, if realized, will alleviate the following situations which are now existing:

1. Overcrowding of hospital with chronic patients.
2. Suffering from lack of nurses' care for single, chronic patients not serious enough for hospitalization but unable to minister to own needs.
3. Inconvenience and sacrifice of time for immediate families, relatives and friends who must give constant attendance and care.
4. Lack of privacy in overcrowded family rooms.

Such a set-up will also be advantageous for the following reasons:

1. Help localize the patients and facilitate work of visiting doctors.
2. Lessen expenses in the final analysis.
3. Free residents, otherwise burdened with the care of aged and chronic patients, for employment in this center.
4. Relieve residents with aged, chronic parents from worry when leaving for outside employment.

Mrs. Crowe, Supervisor of Nurses at the Topaz Hospital has expressed eagerness to see such a home established; the hospital



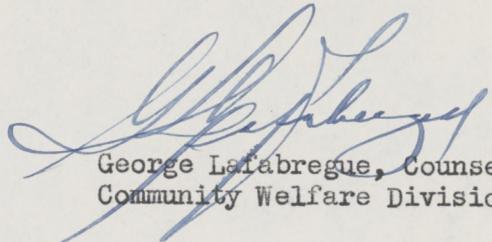
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has promised to cooperate by supplying the necessary visiting nurses, with periodical visits by doctors; and <sup>the</sup> Housing Committee has expressed willingness to reserve for us one or two barracks for this purpose.

We are attaching for your reference a list of all the aged residents in this center. You will note out of the approximate 400 residents over 65 years of age, 85 are bachelors. We also attach a report on a few of the typical cases which reveals the need for such a home as described.

Your suggestions and opinion on this matter will be greatly appreciated by us.



George Lafabregue, Counselor  
Community Welfare Division

Enc.--(1) List of aged residents  
(2) Report on typical cases

REPORT ON

A Few Typical Cases  
of the  
Aged and Chronic

Case No. I

Montaro Takemoto, 71, ill, would like to enter hospital. At present, he is being taken care of by his son, Kiso Takemoto, (40 yrs. old) who has no wife and has the following children: Kei (10), Kow (8), Setsuko (6), and Yoshiko (4). His time is spent in looking after his sick and four motherless children. He is willing to do any type of work later when his father is taken care of and his children are at school.

Case No. II

Tsuneo Kanamori, 68, of 4-8-A, cardiac patient, was hospitalized until October 14th in Tanforan and even to date is a daily visitor at the clinic. He is a bachelor with no relatives to take care of him.

Case No. III

Takachika Fujii, 61, of 38-7-C, bachelor, partially paralyzed, has no relatives to take care of him. Has been a regular patient at the Tanforan Hospital, but is not serious enough to be hospitalized here at Topaz.

Case No. IV

Mr. Yamaguchi, 70, #33384, of 9-7-C, is wholly incapacitated and is unable to manage without full assistance.

Case No. V

Mr. Toyokichi Miyake, 78, of 12-7-B, single, was in Laguna Home, San Francisco, prior to evacuation.  
I.D. #2233

Case No. VI

Mr. Henmi, a paralytic and cardiac patient with other complications, is in his sixties. Daughter and son-in-law unable to adequately administer to his needs because daughter is a post-partum case.

Case No. VII

Koichi Sasahara, 61, of 14-1-E, I.D. #2003, single, blind, was at Industrial Home for Adult Blind, Oakland, for four years. Now taken care of by Mr. Tomizawa, who is aged himself and therefore finds it difficult to do the washing, etc.

LIST OF RESIDENTS OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE

\*\*\*Bachelor \*Female

NAME	AGE	FAMILY NO.
Adachi, Isaburo	70	13609
Akagi, Nobutaro	77	13469
***Akashi, Toshimichi	67	1753
*Akiyama, Chika	65	13652
***Akiyama, Morimi	66	20286
Akiyoshi, Jutarō	66	20776
Aoki, Jitsuji	70	20679)
* " Fusa	71	20679)
Araki, Hitsuji	73	21472
Arita, Totaro	70	20159
Aso, Sakutaro	72	21537
***Azumi, Unkichi	75	14671
***Baba, Risaburo	65	14968
Bando, Tokujiro	66	21822
*Cho, Haru	65	22621
Endo, Shinnosuke	65	14682
Enomoto, Risaku	68	22469)
* " Wasa	70	22469)
***Enomoto, Tsunezo	65	21546
***Enomoto, Yonezo	69	21370
Fujie, Naojiro	65	20563
Fujii, Otokichi	68	13549
Fujimoto, Nakaemon	65	1523
*Fujimoto, Tsuya	65	14701
Fujiwara, Frank	69	22439
***Fujiwara, Homer	67	1676
Fujiwara, Katsutarō	66	20216)
* " Hide	65	20216)
Fukagai, Kozo	65	22554
*Furuki, Miyo	65	14648
Futagaki, Umetaro	67	21490
Gamada, Ishimatsu	65	14951
Goto, Jitsuzo H.	65	14662)
* " Tami	68	14662)
Goto, Zenichi	65	22385
*Hagiwara, Takano	65	33257
*Hagiwara, Tai	75	33259
***Hamai, Isekichi	68	14765
Hanamoto, Dansuka	65	21379
Hanamura, Tomokichi	69	20249

NAME	AGE	FAMILY NO.
Hanazono, Charley	73	20556
***Hasegawa, Kisaji	65	14884
*Hasegawa, Chikano	65	22359
Hata, Tokumatsu	75	22503
Hatanaka, Matsunojo	68	20620
Hataye, Seitaro	65	21435
Hayakawa, Man	81	21536)
* " Chiyo	65	21536)
Hayashi, Hirokichi	75	20284
Hayashida, Hidejiro	65	13416
Henmi, Tamotsu	73	20243)
* " Akino	67	20243)
*Hiramatsu, Tsune	65	20566
Hirano, Harry	66	14657
Hirano, Ina	67	13465
Hirashima, Otomatsu	67	14772
*Hiro, Rica	67	14789
*Hirota, Hiro	69	21945
Hirota, Zenro	74	33228
***Hisai, Otojiro	66	14692
***Honshiro, Hijiro	69	1815
*Hoshide, Ishi	71	22461
*Hoshino, Nobu	65	14803
Hosoi, Yonekichi	66	22435)
* " Masu	67	22435)
***Ichikawa, Matsutarō	82	20243
Ichisaka, Yosaku	73	21468
***Ihara, Arthur G.	74	33245
Iida, Genkichi	66	19056
Iijima, Ruizo	67	21870
Imachi, Juriguma	74	21933
Imada, Ushitaro	65	21803
*Imai, Ken	67	20704
Imose, Kanetaro	65	21571
*Inukai, Yasu	73	20720
Inouye, Kane	71	14847
Inouye, Kennosuke	74	10375)
* " Yome	67	10375)
***Inouye, Keiji	66	14695
Inouye, Kinzo	65	20665
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Inuzuka, Mannosuke	66	22532
Ishida, Seichiro	67	21421
Ishigaki, Rokusaburo	68	14726
***Ishii, Zensaburo	65	20314
Ishikawa, Sontaro	65	21460
*Isoda, Yei	71	14616
Isono, Masatoshi	70	20324)
* " Yoshi	65	20324)

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***Isozaki, Toranoshin	75	20269
Itahara, Yoshio	73	20306
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Itashiki, Torozaemon	65	19033
Iwai, Hideaki	75	13632
***Iwata, Hizaemon	71	14989
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Kagami, Toyotsuchi	65	20562
Kajiwara, Jujiro	65	20769
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Kanzaki, Otokichi	78	20697
Kanazawa, Ritsu	65	21780
Kanba, Tomitaro	65	33203
Kasai, Riosuke	65	20318)
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Kakimaru, Jiro	68	21425
Kataoka, Tokichi	69	21352)
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Katayama, Yoshitaro	69	14749
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Kawamoto, Kumejiro	65	13526
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Kikugawa, Jinnosuke	65	22622
Kimoto, Yoshigusu	66	14654
Kimura, Sentaro	71	20208)
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Kinoshita, Tokuju	65	21451
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Kishii, Buhahiro	65	13436
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Kiya, Kokichi	70	20589
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Kojimoto, Kusujiro	67	1504
Konda, Kumataro	71	21392
Korematsu, Kakusaburo	66	21538
Kubokawa, Hiroshi	65	14908
Kumamoto, Heihashi	66	21365
Kumekawa, Keiroku	67	19020

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Kushida, Shobe	68	13487
Kusumine, Jitsugu	67	14893
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*Towata, Yoshi	69	20183
Towata, Hyakutaro	68	20183
***Tsuda, Jiro	73	33261
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Tsukagawa, Kitaro	76	21772)
* " Ito	65	21772)
Tsukamoto, Matsunosuke	85	33173)
* " Mitsu	68	33173)
Tsukazaki, Kametaro	65	13600
Tsurumoto, Torakichi	76	21443
Uchiyama, Aisuke	705	21437
Ujihara, Masanobu	69	21372

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***Uno, Mahiko	67	20328
Usasuke, Charje	68	22411
Yasui, Yekita	70	19143
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Yoshida, Shigeru	67	20570
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Yoshihata, Takezo	67	22479
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Yoshimoto, Gentaro	66	14603
Yoshino, Yoshimatsu	73	20267
Yoshiura, Kumekichi	80	20274
Yoshizawa, Yuki	68	20784
***Yoshizawa, Kametaro	72	21477
*Yuasa, Chiyo	65	20662

*Old Age*

PLAN FOR THE OLD AGE HOME

I. Judicial Procedure:

1. Judicially this home for the old age must be subject to and under the control of the Community Service Division.
2. A Committee must be organized. The Committee must consist of one person from this Division who takes full responsibility of all matters dealing with this institution; also another person from the Medical Section of this Division must be added to this Committee. Other outside members shall be added to this Committee--preferably elderly persons who will understand the needs of their own age.
3. A Secretary must be appointed, so that all records regarding this work may be kept for future reference.
4. Rules and regulations must be drafted, to be signed by the Supervisor of the Institution and by each of the inmates.

II. Equipments:

1. Begin with a single barrack, which has a capacity of accommodating about twenty-five persons.
2. The rooms to be equipped sufficiently, with usual beddings, tables, chairs, and above all, the stoves. The rooms must be kept clean and warm.

III. Personnel and Their Duties

1. A middle-aged couple may be hired for the purpose of maintaining the general upkeep of the place.
2. Wife of said couple may be the Nursing Aide, working in this home under the supervision of a trained nurse, who may visit the place from time to time.
3. The couple may also take care of the washings for those obviously unable to perform same for themselves.
4. Also the food for those who are unable to go to the dining hall at each meal time may be taken care of by this couple.
5. Supervision of this place will be performed by the Block Manager of the block in which this Old Age Home may possibly be located, as well as by the Supervisor who will be assigned by this Division for this purpose.

IV. Medical Services:

1. Doctors and expertly trained nurses from the hospital shall visit the place from time to time, so that the medical needs of these aged people will be sufficiently satisfied.
2. Problems of a hygienic nature of the inmates of this home shall also be looked after by a trained personnel.
3. The dietetic problem of these aged people shall also be looked into by specialists.

V. Qualifications of Applicants:

1. The doctor shall recommend persons who shall enter this home.
2. Age qualification shall be sixty-five years or older, but this age limit may be adjustable because one's physical condition in many cases does not fall according to age group.

3. Application for admission should be required. Each applicant must fill in the application blank as accurately as possible; they also should be required to sign on the Regulation Sheet of this Institution.
4. Those who are working or are able to work should not be accepted.
5. Those who have diseases, especially those of the communicable kind, should be eliminated, or a special ward should be assigned to them.
6. Those who are acceptable and are physically handicapped--such as the blind, crippled, etc.--must get special attention. A constant companion may be provided for such a person, with minimum wages paid him by the Project.

VI. Budget:

1. The wages of the hired hands for this home to be paid by the Project Authorities.

T. Hamada/kjy

Attached: Application form.  
Rules and Regulations.

TOPAZ OLD AGE HOME

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All inmates are to consider others in this home as their fraternity brothers. Helping others, especially those who are handicapped, is the assigned responsibility of each inmate.
2. Those who are physically well must perform all personal services of their own. Those unable to may receive help from attendants.
3. Each inmate is expected to cooperate with the officers and attendants of this institution.
4. All unnecessary noises which may be regarded as disturbances must be eliminated.
5. The place must be kept clean and sanitary for the benefit of the inmates.
6. All requests and complaints must be made to the Supervisor of this home.
7. Observance of these rules and regulations are required of each inmate in order to make this place a better place to live in.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Supervisor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of inmate)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION BLANK**

**FOR ADMISSION TO THE TOPAZ OLD AGE HOME**

Name and Address(prior to evacuation)	Sex	Age	Place of Birth: (In English and Japanese)
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Names of Relatives or Friends:	Address:	Relationship:

**Applicant's health history:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview	Date of Admission	Signature of Supervisor	Signature of Medical Representative

TOPAZ HOSPITAL

*Plan for Topaz  
Home for Aged*

June 22, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Lorne Bell, Chief  
Director Community Services

SUBJECT: Plan for the Topaz Home for the Aged

I Purpose of Home:

At the request of the Community Council, plans are being formulated for a program of care for aged and chronically ill residents of Topaz. Two wings of the hospital, containing four wards which are not in use at the present time, offer excellent facilities for this purpose and can be converted fairly easily.

II Physical setup:

1. Entrance

There is a separate entrance which can be so used that the home will be entirely separated from the hospital. Residents of the home, their visitors, personnel and most of the individuals entering on official business will be able to use this entrance. Each ward also has a door leading directly outdoors.

2. Porch

There is a spacious screened in porch which would be ideal for the use of the residents for recreational purposes. It has a plot of land in front of it and if it is at all feasible some attention might be given to cultivating it. This might even be a good piece of occupational therapy for the more active residents of the home.

3. Housing facilities

A total of fifty persons can be housed in the space under consideration. With three wards utilized for resident beds, there will be facilities for thirty-four occupants in the open wards. One of the wards accommodating twelve can be assigned to the women residents. In addition there are eight single rooms and four double rooms. The latter can be used for the

housing of couples. Four of these private rooms have adjoining lavatories containing toilets and wash bowls. One of these units can be occupied by the superintendent of the Home. If it is possible to secure a couple to fulfill this function, a double room unit can be used.

The two wings contain a total of two bath tubs, two showers, twelve toilets, and sixteen wash bowls. There are also two lahdry tubs.

Arrangements will be necessary for proper facilities so that the residents may have their personal effects available to them. In addition to beds and mattresses (which can be supplied by the hospital), each resident should have a small bedside table, a chair, and cupboard or locker containing shelf space as well as a rod to hang garments. Inasmuch as most of the occupants will be ambulatory, they should be encouraged to dress in street clothes during waking hours and therefore their clothing should be immediately available to them.

The fourth ward can be converted into a dining room-living room combination. Tables and individual chairs would be desirable and whenever possible, the residents should go to the dining room for their meals. The other part of the room should be set up as a living room with a davenport, rug, some comfortable chairs and several tables for playing games, reading, writing, and so forth. The porch should also be equipped with suitable furniture.

#### 4. Equipment

Present kitchen facilities will undoubtedly require some enlarging. An additional stove, a larger refrigerator, and more shelf space would be required. It is possible to enlarge the kitchen space by removing the wall between the kitchen and ward office and converting into one room.

The hospital will assume responsibility for laundering of the linen. However, linens, bedding, kitchen utensils, dishes, and silver all will have to be supplied by the project warehouse. The hospital administration has asked particularly that linens be marked so that there will be no difficulty in separating them from hospital linen.

Food, also, will have to be supplied from the project commissary and a kitchen separate from the hospital is to be maintained for the Home.

A wheel chair should be assigned for the use of the Home.

III Personnel:

1. Superintendent (resident)

Either an older man or a couple who would be able to take the responsibility for the operation of the Home. The superintendent would work in cooperation with the hospital administration regarding operations and with the Medical Social Service Department regarding the social adjustment of the individual occupants and the general social program.

2. Two janitors, one male and one female, to do all cleaning work in the Home.

3. Two attendants, one male and one female, to perform any services required in the care of the occupants. While the individuals are to be ambulatory for the most part, bedside care may be required from time to time.

4. Two cooks, chief and assistant

5. Two dishwashers

6. One waitress

IV Administrative responsibility

The Home is the administrative responsibility of the Health and Medical Care Section.

V Program

1. The Medical Social Service Department shall assume responsibility for the general social program and for dealing with social adjustments of the individual occupants.

2. Eligibility for admission to the Home should also be determined by the Medical Social Service Department. Those persons who are unable to meet their own needs in the general community due to age, illness, or physical handicap shall be considered for admission to the Home. In instances where there are close relatives, primary responsibility for the care of the aged person will rest with the relatives. However, the Medical Social Worker will determine eligibility on an individual basis, taking into consideration social factors.

3. Intake procedures

All applications for admission shall be referred to the Medical Social Service Department where an individual study shall be made of

each case. A medical consultation shall be required on every admission. The Medical Social Worker shall interview the applicant and also relatives and other interested parties. On the basis of her findings, the worker will submit a final recommendation regarding disposition to the Chief Medical Officer.

4. Discharges shall also be handled by the Medical Social Service Department in consultation with the medical staff. Proper living facilities in the community should be arranged for persons leaving the Home.

5. Records.

A separate case record shall be kept on each applicant. The records will include summaries of the intake material and subsequent developments. They will be incorporated in the regular Medical Social Service file but a separate index file will be kept for the Home for the Aged for statistical and research purposes.

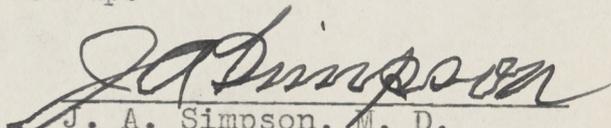
6. Relationship with Community Welfare Section.

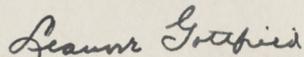
There shall be a close working relationship with the Community Welfare Section. Their workers shall refer cases and supply social information from their case records.

In situations where the residents of the Home wish to apply for Public Assistance Grants, the Community Welfare worker will call in the Home to interview the applicant regarding eligibility. Other social problems arising in the Home will be the responsibility of the Medical Social Worker.

VI It is our hope to interest church organizations or clubs within Community Education and sponsor further improvements in the Home. Library service and occupational therapy program now under plan in the hospital can be extended to cover the Home.

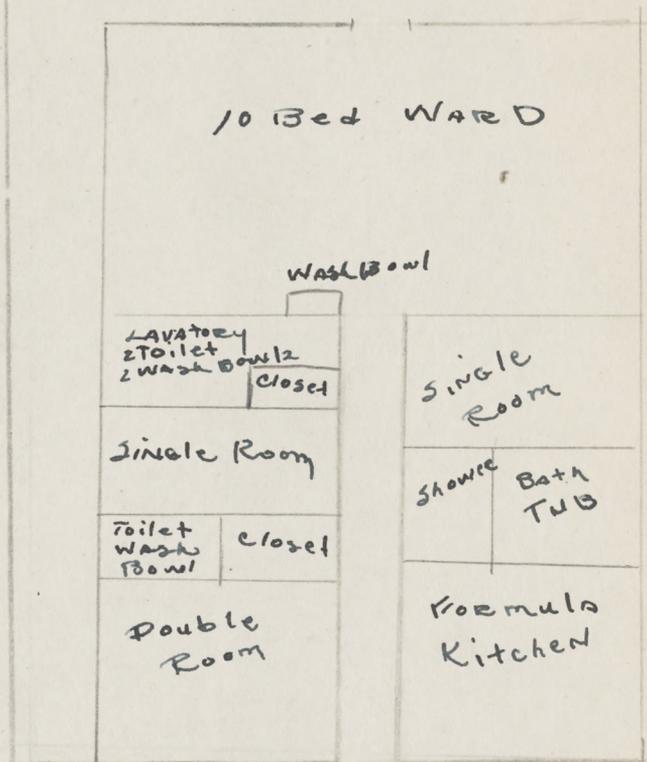
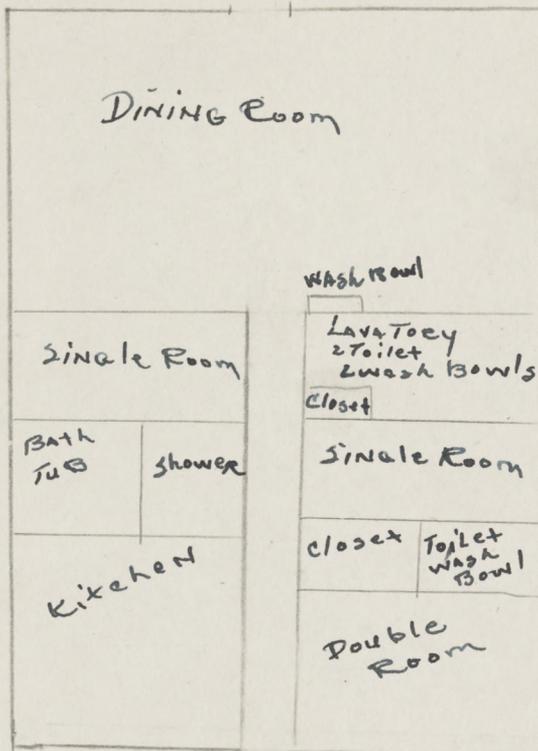
VII A question of extreme importance should be considered in setting up the proposed Home. The hospital administration has stated that in the event of an epidemic or other health emergency, the residents of the Home would have to be moved out immediately if the ward they occupied were needed. Before setting up the Home, a plan for temporary care of the group in case of emergency should be set up.

  
J. A. Simpson, M. D.  
Chief Medical Officer

  
Leanne Gottfried  
Medical Social Worker

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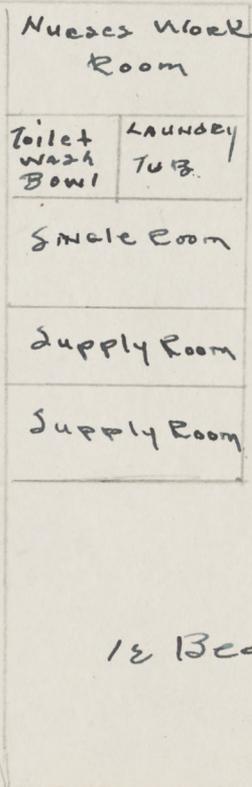
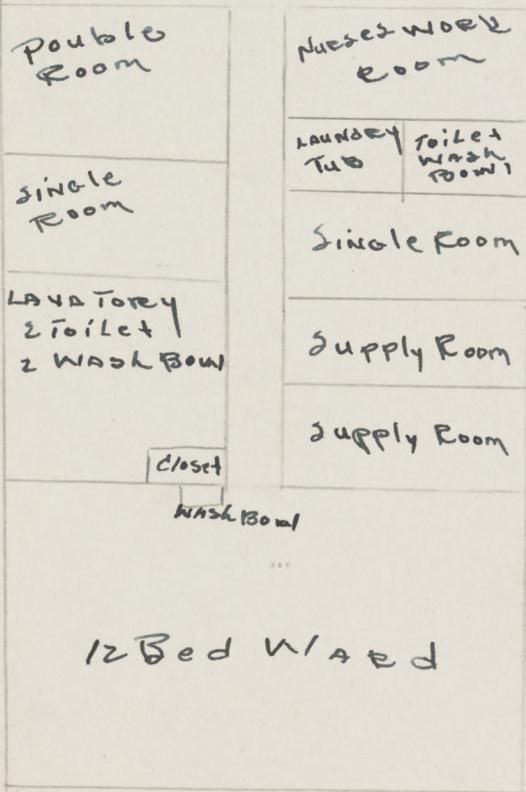


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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
Central Utah Project  
Topaz, Utah

June 30, 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Lorne W. Bell, Chief  
Community Services Division

SUBJECT: Persons in need of Supervision

Attached find a list of persons in need of supervision. They are listed as those living with families and those unattached. It may be that this list will be useful to the hospital in determining the number of persons who would be interested in their future plans?.

George Lafabregue, Head Counselor  
Community Welfare Section

Attachment  
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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
Central Utah Project  
Topaz, Utah

7 - Welfare  
P.P.S.

November 15, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Roscoe E. Bell  
Assistant Project Director

ATTENTION: Mr. Henry R. Watson  
Senior Engineer

SUBJECT: Old Folks Hostel

I have answered this question on various occasions, but it seems that someone never seems able to understand just what I said. I want to repeat: While the question of an old folks home was up several months ago, I informed the committee that one of the hospital wards could be used to house about 18-20 old folks until a more suitable arrangement could be made. This memorandum today which states,

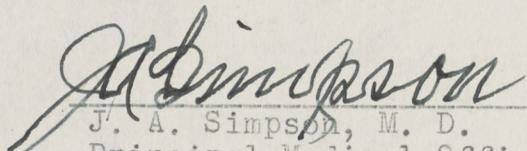
"Recent conference on this subject with the Chief of Medical Officer indicated that the Chief of Medical Officer will only allow use of this Hospital only for temporary use for an old folks hostel. This being the case it seems advisable that we proceed at once to make plans to get approval by the W.P.B. for the remodeling part of one block for an old folks hostel. We have assumed, this date, that they will be housed at the Hospital and this will not be necessary."

Under the above quotations I am unable to find out what decision they have actually made for they contradicted themselves in the paragraph just referred to.

This hospital could never care for more than 18-20 at the outside and still it would not be anything

like home. If an old folks home is to be erected, it seems that the proper thing to do is to make the proper requisition to the W.P.B. for the material necessary to convert sufficient number of buildings in one of the blocks to house approximately 75 old people. This hospital is not designed to convert any part of it into a liveable condition for the old people; but if we took care of even 20, it would be a make-shift and to say the least it would be very unsatisfactory as a home for any one of any age.

I trust that the information contained in the paragraph above will be distributed to all those who have been instrumental in attempting to locate something for the housing of old people. It seems that every so often, this question comes up and it has been getting the same answer everytime. The hospital cannot be converted into an old folks home.

  
J. A. Simpson, M. D.  
Principal Medical Officer

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR  
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
TOPAZ, UTAH

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MINUTES OF A MEETING  
TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF REST HOME

Office of the Chief Medical Officer  
Monday, 2:00 p.m.  
September 11, 1944

Present: Mr. Sanford                      Dr. Collier  
          Mr. Pratt                         Mr. Marstella  
          Mr. Campbell                    Miss Kirchner

It was decided that Welfare would take over the operation of the Rest Home now housed in Block 3. The Health Section has agreed to supervise the health of the residents of the home and make regular visits. It was further decided that the Construction Department under Mr. Watson will be asked to apply for W.P.B. approval in installing appropriate plumbing in our barracks to be chosen later. This change is to be effective September 12. One woman, who is now looking after the home and on the hospital payroll as a diet maid, will be transferred to the Welfare Section to continue in the care of the home.

*Douglas R. Collier M.D.*

D. R. Collier, M. D.  
Chief Medical Officer

cc: ✓ Mr. Hoffman  
      Mr. Pratt  
      Mr. Campbell  
      Mr. Marstella  
      Miss Kirchner

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[Sept. 1944]

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
TOPAZ, UTAH

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Mas Narahara  
Chairman of the Topaz Community Council

SUBJECT: Rest Home for the Aged and Infirm

It is my understanding from recent discussions with you and members of the Health Committee that the Community Council has agreed that a rest home for the aged and infirm should be established at this Center. I believe that the recent controversy over the rest home came about, not because anyone in the Center was opposed to a rest home, but because it was felt that the arrangements made lacked the proper facilities. I feel that it is imperative, in terms of relieving the acute help situation at the hospital, and in making satisfactory provisions for the aged and infirm individuals now residing in the blocks, who are neglected because of the lack of someone to properly care for them, that we should take immediate steps to establish such a service here at Topaz. We have in mind converting one or two barracks in one of the blocks into such a rest home. The barracks selected will undergo some renovation, and shower and toilet facilities will be installed. Through the necessary cooperation from the Council and interested center organizations and individuals, we can provide such a home with necessary conveniences and comforts for individuals whose activities are so restricted.

I should like to leave the matter of the selection of location up to the Community Council, who will no doubt wish to consult with the Block Managers and others. When this facility was talked of before, there was some opposition raised in each block where its establishment was proposed. As the recent dissatisfaction seemed to be expressed more on the type of rest home started and the physical condition of the occupants, I assume that the rest home, properly planned and prepared for, with the necessary community support, would be and should be fully acceptable. There are reasons why it should not be considered in blocks 8, 41, or 2, and it should be reasonably close to the hospital and the administration area for reasons which are obvious.

I would appreciate the Council's giving this matter thoughtful consideration and letting me have your comments and recommendation on this.

L. T. Hoffman  
Project Director

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
Topaz, Utah

September 15, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Mas Narahara  
Chairman of the Topaz Community Council

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We should like to leave the matter of the selection of location up to the Community Council. When this facility has been talked of before, there has been block opposition raised in each block where its establishment has been proposed. If the council prefers not to select the location, then we ask that you support the administration in whatever selection it may make. There are reasons why we prefer not to consider its establishment in blocks, 8, 41 or 2, and we believe that it should be reasonably close to the hospital and the administration area for reasons which are obvious.

I would appreciate the council giving this matter thoughtful consideration and letting me know as soon as possible of its decision.

L. T. Hoffman  
Project Director

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CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
Topaz, Utah

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July 26, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Raymond P. Sanford  
Assistant Project Director

ATTENTION: Mr. Claud H. Pratt  
Community Welfare Section

SUBJECT: Plans for convalescent home

*C.H.P.*

Dr. Collier has requested that I get in touch with you about his plans to establish a convalescent home for ambulatory patients who are too ill to be at home but who would not profit by further hospitalization.

We would like to have you recommend a capable, intelligent, middle-aged couple to act as manager and matron for this convalescent home. We feel that you probably know the residents individually better than any other section and that you could help us select the best possible persons for this job.

I think Dr. Collier would appreciate your recommending several couples for this job and allow him to interview them individually before he makes up his mind definitely. We would like to have both the man and woman take the nurses' aide training course under our Chief Nurse.

We will deeply appreciate your assistance in helping us find the right people for this important job.

*Mary Lue Cochran*

(Mrs.) Mary Lue Cochran  
Medical Social Worker

cc: Dr. Collier

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
TOPAZ, UTAH

April 17, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Raymond P. Sanford  
Assistant Project Director

FROM: Dr. A. Pressman  
Chief Medical Officer

SUBJECT: Convalescent Ward

PROBLEM

There are a number of aged, infirm, and otherwise handicapped persons on this Project who are in need of custodial care. A number of these people at present are cared for in the general wards of the hospital although they require no professional service. But they occupy beds which are urgently needed for acute cases. Provisions for the housing care should be provided.

While this problem has received considerable attention on the part of the Medical staff and Administration, no definite program has been worked out.

It is recognized that the housing of this particular type of individual should be outside of a general hospital environment. This would require the use of barracks somewhere in the community. However, such barracks would have to be remodeled, public utilities installed, and the provision for feeding these people would also have to be made. These factors preclude such a solution to the problem. It is, therefore, recommended:

- (1) That the formula kitchen be moved out from the hospital ward and incorporated in the special diet kitchen in Block 2.
- (2) This will make it possible to use the two wards which are connected by a corridor for respective male and female surgical and medical cases.

- (3) The change effected in the step 2 above will make available the present Men's Ward as a Convalescent Ward for the people in question.
- (4) The care of these custodial patients will be entrusted to attendants, preferably elderly women, under the supervision of Senior Chief Nurse.
- (5) The Medical Staff will be available for consultation care of these people whenever indicated.
- (6) Food for these cases will be provided from the Hospital Mess Hall.

/s/ A. Pressman, M.D.  
Chief Medical Officer

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INTERFAITH MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION  
Recreation Hall #2  
Topaz, Utah

Re: Old Folks Home  
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R.P.S

March 18, 1944

Mr. Raymond Sanford  
Community Management

My dear Mr. Sanford:

At the meeting of the Interfaith Council held on March 15th, we discussed the matter which you requested us, a good name for the section in Block 4 which will house the aged and the infirmed.

After much discussion we deemed it best to leave that project unnamed but to be referred by its location. We have been told by a former resident of Tule Lake that they have a similar residence for the aged, but that they refer to it by its location, not by any name.

Thanking you for your courtesy, we are,

Sincerely yours,

Interfaith Ministerial Assn.

*E. Kawamori* by YK  
Rev. E. Kawamorita, Chmn.

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CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
Topaz, Utah

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Operations Division  
Engineering Section

November 15, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Roscoe E. Bell  
Assistant Project Director

ATTENTION: Dr. Simpson

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*HR Watson*  
Henry R. Watson  
Senior Engineer

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Topaz, Utah

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HENRY R. WATSON

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Senior Engineer

cc: Mr. Lafabregue ✓  
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Mr. Taylor  
Mr. Bankson  
Dr. Simpson

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