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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

December 31, 1942

FROM: Henri Takahashi
Public relations

SUBJECT: Weekly report

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL

- a. one
- b. O.K.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

A. Four press releases were sent to various publications on December 30 and one to the Millard County Chronicle on December 31.

a. Councilman election results

b. Scrap iron drive at Delta. ~~Top~~ 45 volunteers from Topaz collected scrap metal Dec. 29 + 25 more on Dec. 30.

c. Interview of Ralph Barnhart, new project attorney.

d. Topaz to ~~work~~ observe 48-hour week

e. Amateur talent show contest results revealed.

B. Block meeting attended to gather material on public opinion.

3. CURRENT PROBLEMS:

none

4. none

5. None.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

December 24, 1942

FROM: PUBLIC RELATIONS

SUBJECT: WEEKLY REPORT

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) one
- (b) adequate

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

Henri Takahashi participated in the search for the missing man on December 21 and 23 to compile a report for the section.

3. CURRENT PROBLEMS:

None

4. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS:

None

5. A FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

Reports on various sociological conflicts within the camps such as conflicts between issei and nisei, political conflicts, religious conflicts, class conflicts, Caucasian-Japanese conflicts, etc.

No press releases this week -

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

January 7, 1943

FROM: Henri Takahashi
Public Relations of the Documentary Department

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) one
- (b) adequate at present

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

- (a) Four press releases were sent to various publications including the Millard County Chronicle, Pacific Citizen, Utah Nippo, and Salt Lake Deseret News.
 - 1) Interview with Russell Bankson, new project reports chief.
 - 2) Number of people employed in Topaz revealed by the employment division. Nearly one-half of the residents are working.
 - 3) President Roosevelt to receive painting by Chiura Obata.
 - 4) New Year's Eve dance enjoyed by administrative heads and residents.
 - (b) Prepared a questionnaire on outside employment for the approval of Mr. Ernst in order to gather information and opinions of people who went out to work in beet fields, laundries, and other forms of employment. The questionnaire was prepared in order to help residents within the camp so that they will be prepared to meet the outside community and employment during the coming work season.
 - (c) Interviewed Mr. Edwin Bates, chief of the information division of WRA in Washington, D.C., in order to learn more about the functions of a documentarian in a WRA camp. Also to find out what kind of news to send out in the press releases to the outside public.
3. CURRENT PROBLEMS:
3. Until this week this department was handicapped by the lack of a typewriter, but the arrival of a Smith-Corona alleviated the shortage.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT
TOPAZ, UTAH

January 14, 1943

FROM: Henri Takahashi
Public Relations

SUBJECT: Weekly narrative report.

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) One.
- (b) Inadequate personnel:

Last week along with the acquisition of a typewriter this department suddenly burst into furious activity requiring the addition of a typist and another research assistant.

A typist is necessary for such sundry minor duties as filing answered questionnaires and letters received from former residents of Topaz, copying documents and articles appearing in publications pertaining to relocation and all its ramifications, typing and expediting press releases, memorandums, letters, and, during her spare time, helping the Historical Documentation section.

A research assistant is necessary to aid in recording and compiling materials pertinent to relocation and the complex sociological aspects of camp life. Since night work is entailed in the surveys in addition to the regular office routine, an assistant is urgently required in interviewing various people who have returned from outside work.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

- (a) Five press releases were sent out:

- (1) Governor Maw to visit Topaz, January 14, 1943.
- (2) Red Cross Chapter organized in Topaz.
- (3) Apostle Widtsoe attends Topaz LDS church meeting.
- (4) Topaz quintets defeat Delta, Hinckley High Schools.
- (5) President Roosevelt gets Chiura Obata paintings.

(Sent to Daily Californian of Univ. of California.)

- (b) Memorandums were sent to gather the following information:

- (1) List of names and address of workers now living outside of Topaz from the employment division. List required to record attitudes of outside workers concerning employment.
- (2) Copies of letters received by the leave officer, chief of employment, chief of community welfare, head of placement, chief of community activities, and the Student Relocation division of community activities, and the Inter-Faith committee, from former residents of Topaz in order to record their opinions and attitudes.
- (3) Statistics from the survey department and the central statistician pertaining to number of residents in Topaz, breaking down the figures into number of males, females,

issei, nisei, kibel, and sansei. Also information on number of high school, business, trade, and professional schools, and college graduates in addition to the number of students who were attending the above mentioned schools prior to evacuation. Number and classification of former occupations of the residents were also requested. The information when obtained will aid immensely in feature stories for outside publications correcting many erroneous misconceptions prevailing today besides augmenting our present files.

- (c) Articles pertinent to relocation published in the Los Angeles Times and the Colorado Times were copied by the staff for the files.
- (d) The stencil for the employment questionnaire has been prepared and 500 copies will be mimeographed during the early part of next week for distribution.
- (e) First official meeting of the Topaz Kibel organization held Wednesday night, January 13, attended for the purpose of gathering material for the department.

3. CURRENT PROBLEMS:

Inadequacy of space. A separate desk for this department as soon as it is convenient is suggested in order to expedite matters.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS:

It is recommended that center exchange papers and newspapers subscribed by the Project Reports Division be routed to this department in order to glean any material relevant to the public relation files and to obtain clippings of press releases published.

5. FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

An essay contest on IMPRESSIONS OF LIFE IN TOPAZ is planned for the near future in conjunction with the Historical Documentation department in order to gather material for the documentation program carried out by the division. It was felt that this contest would reveal information ~~which might be~~ overlooked by the staff.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT
TOPAZ, UTAH

January 21, 1943

FROM: HENRI TAKAHASHI
Public Relations

SUBJECT: WEEKLY NARRATIVE REPORT

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) One.
- (b) The staff would greatly appreciate the addition of an assistant and a typist as mentioned in the last weekly report dated January 14.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

- (a) Four press releases were sent out:
 - 1. Governor Maw visits Topaz.
 - 2. Far vocational training offered students.
 - 3. Mike Masaoka visits Topaz; speaks to assembly.
 - 4. Spanish vice-consul visits Topaz.
- (b) Governor Maw's visit to Topaz covered by staff, including the flag ceremony and the banquet. Speeches delivered at the flag dedication and at the banquet were collected, copied and returned.
- (c) Mass meeting with Mike Masaoka, national JACL executive secretary, attended and a letter was sent to Hito Okada, treasurer of national JACL at Salt Lake City, for copies of speeches given by Masaoka.
- (d) Articles appearing in the San Francisco Examiner, Colorado Times, Pacific Citizen, Salt Lake Tribune, and Salt Lake Deseret News were copied and filed. Articles pertained to relocation and Japanese evacuation. News article about Dr. Carlisle sent to the Education department as part of clipping bureau service.
- (e) Memo sent to Claude C. Cornwall, chief of employment division, for list of names and addresses of outside workers living out of camp and also those who have returned. ~~addr~~ List received, January 20.
- (f) 165 employment questionnaires addressed and mailed with the help of the office staff--Evelyn Kirimura, Toshio Mori, Hank Ebihara, Hiroshi Tatsuta, and Arrice Mizono.
- (g) Mass meeting of Issei attended and much data on reactions of the Issei on evacuation, etc., gleaned for the files.

- (h) An article on OCCUPATIONAL ADJUSTMENTS CAUSED BY RELOCATION is being prepared by this department. Memorandums were sent to Mr. Jennings of the placement division, Mr. Cornwall of the employment division, and Mr. Reed, cost accountant, for a list of names, addresses, titles of present and pre-evacuation occupations of residents. ✓
- (i) In conjunction with the above thesis on occupational adjustments caused by relocation, this department is also working on another article dealing with the OCCUPATIONAL ADJUSTMENTS OF THE ISSEI, KIBEI AND NISEI IN TOPAZ. This essay will try to ~~state~~ ^{explain} the problems facing the residents in the various work groups, and why the three groups are found in the departments they are in.

3. CURRENT PROBLEMS

The same problems exist as those mentioned in the report dated Jan. 14.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS:

The first steps of a clipping bureau was started by this department when a news article about Dr. Carlisle, formerly of the Education division, was copied and circulated to the various departments which would be interested in the information. However, this bureau is still in a formative stage since it is handicapped by lack of space, a typist, and the fact that center exchange papers are still not routed to the department! ✓

5. FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

Same as last week.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT
TOPAZ, UTAH

January 28, 1943

FROM: HENRI TAKAHASHI
Public Relations

SUBJECT WEEKLY NARRATIVE REPORT

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) One.
- (b) The staff is still waiting for an assistant who was to have begun work Monday and an experienced typist.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

- (a) ~~Five~~ ^{Six} Press releases were sent out:
 - 1. Farming opportunities offered Topaz residents.
 - 2. Topaz engagement.
 - 3. Topaz hog raising successful.
 - 4. Poster contest.
 - 5. Topaz executive board.
 - 6. Topaz Youths register for draft.
- (b) Gathered opinions of issei residents concerning the arrival of Spanish vice-consul and Governor. A short essay was written and handed in to Mr. Ernst.
- (c) 285 questionnaires addressed and mailed to residents who have returned from work outside, augmenting the 165 questionnaires which were sent to those still working outside. Received help from Evelyn Kirimura, Toshio Mori, Hank Ebihara, and Hiroshi Tatsuta, all members of Project Reports Division.
- (d) Copied article appearing in Gila News Courier concerning the resettlement and relocation poll it conducted recently.
- (e) Essay contest and publication of departmental material by the Documentation Section discussed with Mr. Bankson.
- (f) Attended Margaret Rohrer, Rocky Mountain secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, and Dr. Gordon K. Chapman, executive secretary of the Western Area Protestant Commission, meeting Tuesday night on resettlement.
- (g) Attended Co-op meeting at which time Emil Sekerak gave a talk on cooperatives and also answered questions about the Topaz Co-op.
- (h) Questionnaires sent out last week-end are now being compiled. Over 100 have been received to date, a splendid response.

(i) Clerical work for individual record survey.

(j) Material for articles on the Occupational Adjustments Caused by Relocation and Occupational Adjustments of the Issei, Kibei and Nisei in Topaz were being collected. Names of block managers and councilmen are now in the files.

3. CURRENT PROBLEMS:

The clipping bureau service started last week is still in an embryonic stage due to lack of an experienced typist, lack of adequate space, and the fact that center exchange papers are still unavailable. ✓

4. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS:

It is strongly recommended that press releases be managed by a member of the newspaper staff. This would not only expedite the releasing of spot news by someone directly on the scene, but also alleviate the duties of the public relations section which will have more time to continue its research on the numerous feature articles being undertaken at the present time.

5. FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

When filing cards are available, this department intends to start a card index filing system of articles appearing in the Topaz Times in order to facilitate research work. Much valuable time is spent in trying to look up articles in back issues of the Times which could easily be avoided with a filing system.

February 4, 1943

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

- (a) Press releases were written by Harumi Kawahara, associate editor of the Topaz Times, who has graciously consented to prepare all press releases henceforth. This greatly relieves the duties of the staff which is at present working on the employment questionnaire and articles on the occupational adjustments of evacuees, including all its ramifications.
- (b) Over 150 questionnaires have been returned out of the 450 that were sent out, which pleases the staff no end. However, the answers are not very satisfactory. There is an air of restraint in the replies. ~~There is also a feeling of being watched and a desire to please.~~ An essay is being prepared on why the questionnaire is not going to be a success.
- (c) Henri Takahashi went to Delta to visit the Millard County Chronicle with Mr. Bankson and other members of the Project Reports Division to see a newspaper in action.
- (d) A million individual survey forms were typed out by the staff. Due to this, the progress of the department was handicapped considerably.
- (e) Henri Takahashi went to Delta Friday night as one of the guests of Frank Beckwith Sr., noted geologist, to view his collection of slides dealing mainly with relics found in and around Topaz. Mr. Beckwith also gave a lecture about the early history of Millard County.
- (f) Initial steps were taken towards the feature articles on occupational adjustments of the evacuees (including all its ramifications)

with George Sugihara, newly acquired assistant, gathering statistical material from the placement division and from the timekeepers' office.

- (g) Copies of letters from students now in various eastern schools were received from the Student Relocation Section of the Community Welfare division and filed.
- (h) Copy^{ies} of excerpts from an evacuee beet worker who answered the employment questionnaire conducted by this department were sent to George La Fabregue, since the information was pertinent to his clothing department.

3. CURRENT PROBLEMS:

Please refer to weekly reports dated January 28, 1943; January 21, 1943; and January 14, 1943.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS:

Upon the recommendation of this department, a member of the newspaper staff has been appointed to handle all press releases, greatly expediting the releasing of spot news by someone directly on the scene.

5. FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

Same as the last three weekly reports.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

December 31, 1942

FROM: Reports Section, Project Reports Division
SUBJECT: Weekly Report

1. PERSONNEL:
2 secretaries
1 typist
Personnel is adequate.
2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

Copies of the weekly narrative reports received up to December 24, 1942, were sent to Mr. John C. Baker on December 31. Subsequent copies will be sent at regular intervals. Later, a complete set of TOPAZ TIMES will be sent.

The weekly airmail report was sent out as usual on Saturday morning. The composite weekly narrative report was completed with recommendations made. The quarterly summary report was completed this week. The special monthly report is being compiled this week.

With the closing of the S. F. Regional Office on the 15th of this month, copies of correspondence and reports to Washington are being sent to the field assistant director's office in Denver, Colorado.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Central Utah Project

January 7, 1943

FROM: Reports Section

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

2 secretaries

1 typist

Personnel is adequate for the present time.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

Mr. Bankson, our new Chief of Project Reports, arrived at the project last Sunday, January 3. A staff meeting was held on Tuesday, January 5, with Mr. Bankson present. Matters pertaining to space, probability of having a linotyped newspaper, and in-service training were discussed. Mr. Bankson agreed to take over a journalism class for the members of our division.

The monthly WRA report was sent to Washington this week. The weekly narrative report, composite report, and recommendations were completed as usual.

(No further comments)

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Central Utah Project

January 14, 1943

FROM: Reports Section

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

2 secretaries
1 typist

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

All work continued as usual in this department. The following reports were completed on schedule:

Friday: Project Reports Weekly Narrative
Report

Saturday: WRA Weekly Airmail Report
Composite Weekly Narrative Report
Recommendation Report

3. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS:

Within a short time, another typist will be necessary in this department.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Central Utah Project

January 21, 1943

FROM: Reports Section
SUBJECT: Weekly Report

1. PERSONNEL
2 secretaries
1 typist

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

This week is being marked as one of the busiest that we have ever had. With a few hours notice, reports were gathered from every division in the project and compiled for the Spanish Vice Consul Martin, together with other information pertaining to the Issei residents of this project.

A staff meeting was held on Tuesday for the purpose of discussing re-organization of the newspaper department. Taro Katayama was appointed by Mr. Bankson to be managing editor of the Topaz Times beginning January 19.

The Weekly Narrative Report, Composite Narrative Report, Recommendations, Airmail report and all section reports were completed on schedule.

(No comments on other problems)

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

January 28, 1943

MEMO TO: Mr. R. A. Bankson, Project Reports Chief
FROM: Reports Section
SUBJECT: Weekly Narrative Report, 1/28/43

Personnel: 2 secretaries
1 typist

(Adequacy: Another typist may be necessary to help
type Form 26.

Progress of Current Work:

Although work is piling up due to most ✓
of each day being spent in typing the division's
quota of Form 26, necessary reports are being made
up as usual.

Supplies and Materials:

Adequate.
A card index for division personnel
is desirable.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Central Utah Project

FROM: Reports Section

SUBJECT: Weekly Report for week ending February 4, 1943.

1. PERSONNEL
2 secretaries
1 typist

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

All work of this division is being carried out on schedule.

The WRA Monthly report was completed on Thursday and mailed to Washington, D.C.

This week letters were sent to each of the nine other relocation centers requesting 10 copies of their center paper for distribution among division chiefs at Topaz.

3. No comment
4. " "

5. FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

A photograph and clipping service bureau is in the process of being set up in the Project Reports Division at the present time. This bureau will keep a pictorial file of Topaz scenes and different articles printed in outside newspapers about this center.

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OFFICE OF REPORTS
MONTHLY REPORT

June 1943

GENERAL COMMENT:

C. L. Eddy, state editor of the "Deseret News" of Salt Lake City, spent three days at Topaz during which time he gathered material and took many pictures for a series of feature stories which are to appear in the "Deseret News."

The "Topaz Times" issued one special edition for the election of a new Community Council.

The Documents Section prepared extensive documentations of the city hospital, history, army volunteer activities and gathered material for a printed booklet which is now being negotiated with the Co-op. If and when this booklet is published, it will contain an accurate history of Topaz from the beginning until the present through a careful selection of material.

Documentation of the first commencement in the Topaz Schools was started together with a historical documentation of the housing in the center.

Approval was had from Washington for the discontinuance of the weekly narrative reports so that hereafter these will be confined to monthly reports and the regular quarterly reports.

The Reports Officer spent the first two weeks on annual leave.

TRUCK GARDENING CROPS--- June 30, 1943

| Crop | Total Acreage to be planted | Planting this period | Total to Date | Condition of Crop |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Potatoes | 40 | 35 | 35 | Not up |
| Pumpkin | 20 | -- | -- | -- |
| Tomatoes | 35 | 15 | 15 | Fair |
| Squash | 10 | -- | -- | -- |
| Onion, dry | 40 | -- | 40 | Fair |
| Onion, green | 10 | -- | -- | -- |
| Corn | 30 | -- | -- | -- |
| Pepper | 8 | 8 | 8 | -- |
| Sunflower | 4 | 4 | 4 | -- |
| Spinach | 20 | -- | -- | -- |
| Asparagus | 4 | 4 | 4 | Poor |
| Peas | 10 | 10 | 10 | Just planted |
| Parsnips | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Cauliflower | 2 | 2 | 2 | -- |
| Radish | 45 | -- | -- | -- |
| Broccoli | 22 | 17 | 17 | Fair |
| Cabbage | 35 | 35 | 35 | Fair |
| Chinese cabbage | 10 | -- | -- | -- |
| Garlic | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | -- |
| Mustard green | 10 | -- | -- | -- |
| Celery | 35 | 35 | 35 | -- |
| Turnips | 20 | -- | -- | -- |
| Rhubarb | 1/8 | 1/8 | 1/8 | Fair |
| Watermelon | 10 | -- | -- | -- |
| Mangle Beets | 4 | 4 | 4 | -- |
| Endive & lettuce | 20 | -- | -- | -- |
| Cantaloupe melon | 30 | 30 | 30 | -- |
| Eggplant | 2 | 2 | 2 | -- |
| Gobo | 1/8 | 1/8 | 1/8 | -- |
| Cucumber | 22 | -- | -- | -- |
| Peanut | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Carrots | 30 | -- | -- | -- |
| Beets | 25 | -- | -- | -- |
| Herb | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Beans, green | 22 | -- | -- | -- |

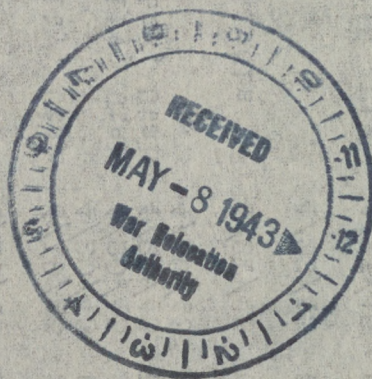
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|-----|---------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. | 4/1/43 | Pay Station | E | Oral & Posted |
| 2. | 4/2/43 | Pre-teen girls | E | Oral & Posted |
| 3. | 4/2/43 | Hana-Matsuri Odori | E | Oral & Posted |
| 4. | 4/2/43 | Movies | E | Posted |
| 5. | 4/2/43 | Education | E & J | Oral |
| 6. | 4/2/43 | Current Events | E & J | Oral |
| 7. | 4/9/43 | Hobby Show | E | Posted |
| | | Hana-Matsuri Parade | E | Posted |
| 8. | 4/12/43 | Movies | E | Posted |
| 9. | 4/15/43 | P.T.A. Meeting | E | Oral & Posted |
| 10. | 4/17/43 | Baseball | E | Oral & Posted |
| 11. | 4/20/43 | Movies | E | Posted |
| 12. | 4/21/43 | Hospital Notice | E & J | Oral & Posted |
| 13. | 4/24/43 | Movies | E | Posted |
| 14. | 4/27/43 | Fire Prevention | E & J | Oral & Posted |

LIST OF VISITORS TO PROJECT DURING APRIL

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>FROM</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>REPRESENTING</u> |
|--|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Dr. Horsfall, Director (Extension Service) | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/2/43 | Univ. of Utah |
| Dr. Campbell, Director (Wm. L. Stewart Sch.) | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/2/43 | Univ. of Utah |
| Dr. Wahlquist, Dean (Sch. of Education) | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/2/43 | Univ. of Utah |
| Caroline Dobson | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/2/43 | Univ. of Utah |
| Harry E. Johnson | Richfield, Utah | 4/3/43 | Soc. Security |
| Wm. H. Hoffman (Fire Prot. Adv.) | Washington, D. C. | 4/5/43 | WRA |
| Rev. Yoshiaki Fukuda | Lordsburg, New Mexico | 4/5/43 | |
| Rev. J. C. Goldwater | Los Angeles, Calif. | 4/7/43 | Buddhist Church |
| Walter N. Horne | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/7/43 | NYA |
| Rev. Carl Nugent | Delta, Utah | 4/11/43 | Evangelical Re- formed Church |
| Dr. O.W. Israelson & Party | Logan, Utah | 4/12/43 | |
| Mr. Ridd & Mr. Larsen | LaSal, Utah | 4/12/43 | |
| Edwin E. Ferguson | Washington, D. C. | 4/12/43 | WRA Solicitor |
| Harold M. Routh | Gr. Junction, Colo. | 4/12/43 | WRA Employment |
| Mark Nichols | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/13/43 | Utah State Dept. of Education |
| William Bowen | St. Paul, Minnesota | 4/13/43 | |
| Norman Marshall & Fred Otg | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/14/43 | |
| Bill Willoughby & party | Delta, Utah | 4/15/43 | Delta Fire Dept. |
| E. A. Johnson | Washington, D. C. | 4/15/43 | WRA |
| C. W. Calder | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/15/43 | Kelite Products |
| John W. Thomas | New York, N. Y. | 4/16/43 | Nat'l Baptist Fed. |
| R. H. Fisher | Denver, Colorado | 4/16/43 | Nat'l Baptist Fed. |
| L. Glen Cottle | Utah | 4/16/43 | State Bd. Agric. |
| Capt. V.B. Lamoureaux | Utah | 4/16/43 | Pub. Health Serv. |
| Capt. C. R. Stunhard | Utah | 4/16/43 | U.S. Engineers |
| Howard R. Hurst | Utah | 4/16/43 | State Engineers |
| E. R. Shaw | Utah | 4/16/43 | Army Area Eng. |
| Oscar Moore | Santa Fe, New Mex. | 4/16/43 | |
| Frank Beckwith | Delta, Utah | 4/16/43 | Millard Co. Chron. |
| Mr. Sterling and Mr. Herberland | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/16/43 | N.Y.A. |
| J. F. Shaughnessy | Ogden, Utah | 4/16/43 | CPC |
| George W. Keddings, I. E. Johnson, R.S. Howells | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/16/43 | N.Y.A. |
| Rev. Raymond Nutsch | Delta, Utah | 4/16/43 | |
| F. C. Eastman | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/16/43 | |
| F. T. Scalley and E.C. Wadsworth | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/17/43 | Utah-Idaho Sugar Company |
| Pat O'Sullivan | St. Louis, Missouri | 4/17/43 | Endicott-Johnson Shoe Company |
| Mr. & Mrs. M. Thomas | Nephi, Utah | 4/17/43 | Comm. Bank |

LIST OF VISITORS TO PROJECT DURING APRIL (Cont)

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>FROM</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>REPRESENTING</u> |
|---|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Mr. Whitney Young | Washington, D. C. | 4/17/43 | State Dept. |
| Capt. Antonio R. Martin | San Francisco, Calif. | 4/17/43 | Spanish Govt. |
| Clifford Noxon | Denver, Colo. | 4/17/43 | WMC |
| William Gartin and Brophy Byron | Denver, Colo. | 4/17/43 | N.Y.A. |
| Mr. M.P. and Carl Whiteside | Layton, Utah | 4/19/43 | Layton Sugar Co. |
| Joe Masaoka | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/19/43 | J.A.C.L. |
| William Campbell | Ogden, Utah | 4/20/43 | U.S. Emp. Serv. |
| Major J.W. Summerhays | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/20/43 | |
| Mr. C. Smith | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/20/43 | Ford Motor Co. |
| Rex Thomas and Miss Vera Bunker | Nephi, Utah | 4/20/43 | |
| Ernst B. Price | Chicago, Illinois | 4/21/43 | Off. Economic Warfare |
| Wilfred Paulson, Edgar Jensen, D.F. Larsen | Provo, Utah | 4/22/43 | Brigham Young University |
| Lorin Christenson | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/23/43 | Deseret News |
| Charles R. McKell (Social Wkr) | Provo, Utah | 4/23/43 | Utah State Hosp. |
| Mr. J. Vogel | Ogden, Utah | 4/23/43 | Sharp & Dohme |
| Evelyn C. Hodges (Social Worker) | Logan, Utah | 4/24/43 | Utah State Agri- cultural College |
| Vernon Holman & party | Utah | 4/24/43 | Millard Co. Welfare Dept. |
| Wanda Herrick (Soc. Wkr) | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/24/43 | Salt Lake County |
| W. H. Simmons | Preston, Idaho | 4/24/43 | Franklin Co. Sugar Company |
| D. N. Cameron | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/24/43 | Zellerback Paper Company |
| Wm. O. Lee & E. Johnson | Salt Lake City, Utah | 4/24/43 | N.Y.A. |
| Mr. Bennett (Procurement Officer) | Denver, Colorado | 4/27/43 | WRA |
| Mr. Girardo (Procurement Officer) | Denver, Colorado | 4/27/43 | WRA |



LIST OF VISITORS TO PROJECT DURING JUNE

| <u>Name</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Representing</u> |
|--|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| A. A. Ashby & Jess Wilson | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/1/43 | Dept. of Ed. |
| A. H. Wallace | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/1/43 | N. Y. A. |
| Joe Conrad | San Francisco, Calif. | 6/2/43 | Am. Fr. Serv. Corp. |
| C. L. Evans Fire Contractor | Ely, Nevada | 6/3/43 | |
| Mary MacMilland | New York, N. Y. | 6/1/43 | |
| Isabel R. Seabury | Boston, Mass. | 6/1/43 | |
| Marion B. Reith | Los Angeles, Calif. | 6/7/43 | Nat'l Y.W.C.A. |
| Paul Honsaker & Asa Smith | Washington, D. C. | 6/7/43 | W.R.A. |
| Mr. L. Belnap and party | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/7/43 | Salt Lake-Delta Freight Line |
| Insp. Albert Kirk | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/8/43 | U.S. Imm. & Nat. |
| Dr. Gordon Chapman | Berkeley, California | 6/8/43 | Prot. Church |
| Mr. Roland A. Oldroyd | Ogden, Utah | 6/8/43 | E.R. Squibb & Sons |
| Dave H. Cameron | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/8/43 | Zellerbach Paper Company |
| Mr. & Mrs. H. Hicks | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/11/43 | |
| C. Sterling & Angus McKay | Provo, Utah | 6/13/43 | |
| L. A. Higgins | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/14/43 | LDS Hospital |
| Gail Montgomery | Berkeley, California | 6/14/43 | U.S. Children's Bureau |
| Mary B. Perry | San Francisco, Calif. | 6/14/43 | U.S. Children's Bureau |
| W. J. Bryant & M. W. Hurst | Spanish Fork, Utah | 6/15/43 | |
| C. L. Eddy | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/16/43 | "Deseret News" |
| Teresa Perrone (Medical Social Wkr.) | Cleveland, Ohio | 6/18/43 | |
| Chris J. Aho | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/18/43 | 9th Serv. Com. |
| Mr. G. P. Stinchfield | Chicago, Illinois | 6/18/43 | S.M.A. Corp. |
| Mr. C. Roberts & party | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/19/43 | Utah-Idaho School Supply |
| Mr. W. A. Hunter | Los Angeles, Calif. | 6/19/43 | |
| A. L. Habler | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/21/43 | Am. Paper Co. |
| Dr. Emory Bogardus | Los Angeles, Calif. | 6/22/43 | Univ. of So. California |
| Mr. Maxim Shapiro | New York, N. Y. | 6/23/43 | |
| Esther Briesemeister | Denver, Colorado | 6/23/43 | Nat'l Y.W.C.A. |
| G. O. Larson (Commissioner) | Salt Lake City, Utah | 6/24/43 | State Road |
| Mr. Francis Hall Field Representative | New York, N. Y. | 6/25/43 | Fellowship of Reconciliation |
| Mr. W. A. Hunter | Delta, Utah | 6/26/43 | Prot. Church |
| Miss Mary Leeper | Washington, D. C. | 6/27/43 | W.R.A. |
| Miss Eloise Anderson | Washington, D. C. | 6/27/43 | W.R.A. |
| William M. Case, Chief | Washington, D. C. | 6/28/43 | WRA Agriculture Division |
| Max O. Schmidt | Ogden, Utah | 6/30/43 | Cal. Pkg. Corp. |
| Dr. Henry Klein | Washington, D. C. | 6/30/43 | Public Health Service |

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

December 31, 1942

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

This report will be due on Thursdays covering the following items of activity:

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) Daily: 9
- (b) Weekly: 5
- (c) Magazine: 7
- (d) Translation: 2
- (e) Circulation: 3
- (f) Total employed in department: 28
- (g) Adequacy of personnel: Sufficient.

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2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK: During the week, Dec. 28 to 31, the daily featured the election of representatives to the permanent Community Council; the visit of Helen Shipps, medical social consultant for the WRA regional office, to Topaz; the arrival of Ralph Barnhart, the project attorney, in the City Tuesday; the visit of newsmen from the Deseret News, Salt Lake Tribune and a representative of the Inter-mountain Radio Network, who inspected all phases of the City life and will describe their impressions in feature articles and broadcasts; an editorial pointing out some traffic dangers in the City; and the results of the first amateur talent contest held in the City on Wednesday night, Dec. 30.
3. ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS: The only inadequacies at present are staplers and staples.
4. CURRENT PROBLEMS: Our only mimeograph and multigraph are developing breakdowns in parts. We definitely need a new mimeograph. The lack of ~~an~~ a carrier for the Times is also proving a bad handicap.
5. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS: Since the reception to the magazine, Trek, has been so favorable and since it is regarded as an excellent medium of expression for Topaz, we suggest it be continued as a monthly in January. The paper to suffice for the magazine has already been set aside.
6. A FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES: Instead of being issued on Dec. 31, the special weekly edition of the Times was issued on New Year's day. It consisted ~~of~~ of 5 pages in English and 5 in Japanese. Inasmuch as there are only 35 reams of mimeograph paper at present, that amount will only be sufficient for the daily for next week. The weekly edition will depend on whether we get more paper this week.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

December 24, 1942

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

This report will be due on Saturdays covering the following items of activity:

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED

- (a) Daily-----9
- (b) Weekly-----5
- (c) Magazine-----7
- (d) Translation---2
- (e) Circulation---3
- (f) Total employed in department: 28
- (g) Adequacy of personnel: Sufficient

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK: During the week, Dec. 21 to 24, the main news carried by the daily dealt with Kozo Fukagai who became lost while accompanying a group gathering Christmas materials on Mt. Topaz Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20. The daily carried the news on Fukagai in the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday issues, culminating with the news of the finding of Fukagai printed as an extra on Thursday. Other items dealt with the statement issued by E. M. Rowalt, Regional WRA director, on possibilities of nisei securing Civil Service positions; a fire that slightly damaged an apartment in Block 4; a request by the Public Works Division for residents not to remove surveying stakes in the Project area; and daily publicity on the Christmas week, including one page devoted solely to names of the cast of more than 200 in the Christmas pageant, "The Other Wise Man."

A special Christmas edition of the Times was issued on Dec. 24. It consisted of 6 pages of English and 2 pages of Japanese. The English section featured a message by Project Director Ernst, an editorial, a letter from the Boulder Language School, and two pages of Christmas carols.

The 34-page magazine, "Trek," was issued on Dec. 25. The leading articles were as follows: "State of the City" and "Digressions" by Taro Katayama, "Landmarks of Pahvant Valley" by Frank Beckwith Sr., "Portrait of an Artist" by Jim Yamada, "Two Sketches" by Toshio Mori, and "A La Mode" by Marii Kyogoku. A notable feature was the art work by Mine Okubo.

3. ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS: Still inadequate; during the week we received 4 quires of stencil, 96 reams of paper, 2 rolls of scotch tape, 3 typewriter erasers, and 1 bottle of type cleaner.

Immediate needs: Stencils, staples, staplers, mimeograph cotton, platex, scotch tape, paste, legal size folders, manifold, cellophane, mimeoscope, celluloid triangle rules,

stylus, and more paper.

4. CURRENT PROBLEMS: About 500 reams of 8¹/₂ x 11 bond paper are needed for subsequent issues of "Trek." Another mimeograph and a typewriter are desperately needed to speed up the work on the weekly and the magazine. A automobile is needed by the circulation staff of the Times.
5. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS: None
6. A FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES: The Times will issue a special 8-page New Year edition on Dec. 31.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

January 7, 1943

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

This report will be due on Thursdays covering the following items of activity:

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) Daily: 9
- (b) Weekly: 5
- (c) Magazine: 7
- (d) Translation: 2
- (e) Circulation: 3
- (f) Total employed in department: 26
- (g) Adequacy of personnel: The magazine would like to add another artist, Tom Yamamoto, to its staff.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK: From Jan. 4 to 7, the daily carried news of privately stored goods now being available to residents, 300 couples attending the New Year's eve dance, two silk paintings by Chiura Obata being presented as gifts by the JACL to President Roosevelt and Dillon S. Myer, offering of work assignments to those unemployed in the City, write-up in the San Francisco Chronicle on the Christmas letter sent out by Daniel Ota, Times' daily editor; Mr. and Mrs. Kazo Fukagai thanked all City residents for their aid in the successful search for Kozo Fukagai, residents holding California professional licenses being required to pay annual renewal fees if they intend to retain their status, beginning of farm seminar series on Thursday night, rules for outing listed by CAS, statistics on City employment during December, and announcement of assumption of duties by Russell A. Bankson, new chief of the Project Reports division.

The Jan. 1 issue carried a message by Project Director Ernst, a sketch by Toshio Mori, a page on community welfare, and a ~~feature page containing a playlet and two poems.~~ *one-page picture in color by Chiura Obata.*

3. ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS: Need staplers and staples, styli, 1 typewriter, correction fluids, type cleaners.

4. CURRENT PROBLEMS: Need daily regular janitor service for Times office.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS: Suggest that the Times be allocated the whole building in which it is located at present. The general sentiment of the staff is against moving the Times office to Block 1.

6. A FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES: There will be a 12-page weekly issued on Saturday, Jan. 16. Another issue of TREK is scheduled to appear sometime in February.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

Jan. 14, 1943

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

This report will be due on Thursdays covering the following items of activity:

1. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:
 - (a) Daily: 9
 - (b) Weekly: 5
 - (c) Magazine: 7
 - (d) Translation: 2
 - (e) Circulation: 3
 - (f) Total employed in department: 26
 - (g) Adequacy of personnel: Pending reorganization.
2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK: During the week, Jan. 9 to 14, the daily carried news of the first meeting of the newly-elected permanent Community Council; a statement by Ralph C. Barnhart, project attorney, that evacuees employed by the WRA are not subject to the new "Victory Tax"; initial steps taken toward the organization of a Red Cross chapter; interviewing of 17 residents by Mrs. Mary J. Mueller for possible employment under the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service of the Federal Communications Commission; two special editions on the visit of Governor Maw to Topaz Thursday.

The weekly carried a report on the record of the temporary Community Council; reviews of articles by Dillon S. Myer in "Common Ground" and Caleb Foote in "Fellowship"; and a calendar for the first four months of 1943 by Bennie Nobori.
3. ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS: Inadequate. Staplers and staples badly needed; present mimeograph breaking down--two new mimeographs would speed up printing and distribution immensely; the present ~~project~~ Times automobile should be repaired immediately or another one secured for the newspaper.
4. CURRENT PROBLEMS: Reorganization of the editorial staff of the Times. A staff meeting will be held Monday afternoon, Jan. 18.
5. RECOMMENDATIONS OR GENERAL SUGGESTIONS: Pending staff meeting.
6. A FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES: a 12-page weekly will be issued on Jan. 23.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

Jan. 22, 1943

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL:

- (a) Daily: 10
- (b) Weekly: 5
- (c) Magazine: 6
- (d) Circulation: 3
- (e) Translation: 2
- (f) Total employed: 26
- (g) Adequacy of personnel: Will need another artist if the daily is to expand.

ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS:

Need staplers and staples; at least 2 more typewriters; more correction fluid and type cleaners; another mimeoscope if daily is to expand; very much more scotch tape. ✓

CURRENT PROBLEMS:

A carrier is desperately needed for circulation, reportorial and transportation service--the latter in case of dust storms and inclement weather. ✓

In order to attain maximum efficiency in printing and distribution, another mimeograph is needed immediately.

PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

Reorganization of Times staff started on Jan. 19 with installation of Taro Katayama as managing editor. All daily and weekly copy is now under his supervision and a noticeable improvement has already appeared in the daily, starting with the Jan. 21st issue. In the weekly, the difference in the makeup appears in pages 3, 4, 5 and 6. Other pages were prepared before the reorganization. ✓

FUTURE PROJECTS:

A 12-page weekly will be issued on Jan. 30. Stencilling for the February number of "Trek" will start next week. ✓

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

Jan. 28, 1943

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL:

- (a) Daily: 10
- (b) Weekly: 5
- (c) Magazine: 6
- (d) Circulation: 3
- (e) Translation: 2
- (f) Total employed: 26
- (g) Adequacy of personnel: Will need another mimeoscope artist and at least 2 more reporters if paper expands.

ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS:

Need staplers and staples; at least 2 more typewriters; more correction fluid and type cleaners; another mimeoscope; more scotch tape; and 3 large scissors.

CURRENT PROBLEMS:

Our present worn-out mimeograph should be replaced by 2 new mimeographs if maximum efficiency in printing and distribution is to be obtained. ✓

With additional paper coming in constantly, a temporary store-room is desperately needed at once.

PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

Under Managing Editor Taro Katayama, a vast improvement has come about in the makeup of the daily and the weekly. The whole Times staff has received valuable pointers on news values, composition and artwork. ✓

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Times be changed to a tri-weekly.

FUTURE PROJECTS:

A 12-page weekly to be issued on Feb. 6. Stencilling proceeding on next issue of TREK.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
CENTRAL UTAH

Feb. 5, 1943

FROM: TOPAZ TIMES
SUBJECT: Weekly Report

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED:

- (a) Daily: 10
- (b) Weekly: 5
- (c) Magazine: 8
- (d) Translation: 2
- (e) Circulation: 3
- (f) Total employed: 28

ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS:

At least 2 new styli needed immediately. ~~Clipless~~
Since we are unable to secure staples, to fasten together the weekly or any other extra-sheet editions, we should have one or two clipless staplers. Another typewriter to cut stencil is also badly needed.

PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

Although our limited quarters is proving a severe handicap, order has come out of disorganization and work has ~~become~~ become stabilized. Further progress is difficult unless larger quarters are secured. ✓

FUTURE PROJECTS:

Special issues of the Times to be issued in connection with the visit of the recruiting commission to Topaz. A 12-page weekly to appear on Saturday, Feb. 13.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Central Utah Project

April 2, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Charles F. Ernst
Project Director

FROM: R. A. Bankson
Chief, Project Reports Division

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

1. ADEQUACY OF PERSONNEL:

- (a) Permanent--1
- (b) Temporary--0
- (c) Evacuees--33

A shortage of help in the division office and on the staff of the TOPAZ TIMES is sharply felt. One office girl is needed for filing and typing assistance in the historical division. Due to the fact that both the translator and the Japanese editor on the TIMES have been accepted for military duty, it is imperative that a translator and an editor be procured at once. It is also advisable to add to the staff an additional translator and a transcriber. Other members of the staff have departed for outside work and reporters and departmental editors are needed, also there is need for more help in the technical section of the paper.

2. PROGRESS OF CURRENT WORK:

The TOPAZ TIMES assumed its new format on Tuesday with an eight-page issue and hereafter it will appear in its enlarged size each Tues., Thurs., and Sat.

The Reports Office assumed direction of the physical examinations of the 112 volunteers from Topaz who appeared before the Army Medical Board team which spent Tuesday and Wednesday forenoon at the Topaz Hospital.

The Historical Section prepared the synopsis of a proposed booklet to be printed and distributed nationally. Also, this section continued documentation of a complete survey of the hospital situation in Topaz, juvenile delinquency in Topaz which is now practically complete; Volunteer for Victory program and other documentation work.

3. ADEQUACY OF SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS:

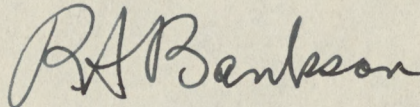
The identification photographic equipment arrived during the week and a studio was set aside in Dormitory C, Room 1. It was unable to open for business because of a complete lack of film or a way in which to develop the negatives as no dark-room equipment was included.

At least three more typewriters are urgently needed for the ~~for the~~ documentation section and the TOPAZ TIMES, also typewriter desks are desired.

6. FORECAST OF PROJECTED ACTIVITIES:

Completion of the documentation on several important Center projects is anticipated during the coming week.

File^s of the composition^s from seventh grade students have been received and excerpts will be taken from these for the historic files.



R. A. Bankson
Chief, Project Reports Division