

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON

FEB 14 1945

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Appended are listings of live births, stillbirths, deaths, and marriages occurring at the following centers:

<u>Center</u>	<u>Period Covered</u>
<u>Central Utah</u>	
Live Births	February 1944 - December 1944
Stillbirths	Inception of Center - " "
Deaths	February 1944 - " "
Marriages	July 1944 - " "
<u>Colorado River</u>	
Live Births	January 1944 - December 1944
Stillbirths	Inception of Center - " "
Deaths	March 1944 - " "
Marriages	July 1944 - " "
<u>Gila River</u>	
Live Births	January 1944 - December 1944
Stillbirths	Inception of Center - " "
Deaths	January 1944 - " "
Marriages	September 1944 - " "
<u>Granada</u>	
Live Births	January 1944 - December 1944
Stillbirths	" " - " "
	(None reported for 1943)
Deaths	January 1944 - " "
Marriages	No marriages reported



Heart Mountain

Live Births	January 1944	-	December 1944
Stillbirths	Inception of Center	-	" "
Deaths	January 1944	-	" "
Marriages	Supplemental Listing		1942-1943-1944
	June 1944	-	December 1944

Jerome

Deaths	June 1944
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Manzanar

Live Births	January 1944	-	December 1944
Stillbirths	Inception of Center	-	" "
Deaths	January 1944	-	" "
Marriages	June 1944	-	" "

Minidoka

Live Births	January 1944	-	December 1944
Stillbirths	" "	-	" "
Deaths	" 1943	-	November "
Marriages	Supplement to May 1944		
	June 1944	-	" "

Rohwer

Live Births	January 1944	-	December 1944
Stillbirths	" 1943	-	" "
	(None reported for 1942)		
Deaths	January 1944	-	" "
Marriages	Inception of Center	-	" "

Tule Lake

Live Births	January 1944	-	December 1944
Stillbirths	" "	-	" "
Deaths	" "	-	" "
Marriages	July 1944	-	" "
	Supplement to June 1944		

Sincerely yours,

Evelyn M. Rose

Evelyn M. Rose
Acting Head, Statistics Section

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FEB 19 1945

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Appended are two tables:

1. Persons of Japanese Ancestry Segregated at Tule Lake By Type of Segregation, Sex and Nativity, September 1943 - May 1944.
2. Persons of Japanese Ancestry Segregated at Tule Lake By Age Groups, Sex and Nativity, September 1943 - May 1944.

The reported population of Tule Lake on June 1, 1944 was 18,631. The difference of 276 between the reported population and the total of 18,355 in the attached table is accounted for by the miscellaneous segregation transfers reported on Departure and Admission Advices which were not included in this analysis.

Sincerely yours,

Evelyn M. Rose

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Acting Head, Statistics Section

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April 27, 1945

Miss Marian Covington
Statistics Section
War Relocation Authority
Minidoka Relocation Project
Hunt, Idaho

Dear Miss Covington:

I am deeply appreciative of the help that you have given us in various ways, especially on the individual cards.

I wonder whether I may make another request, without imposing too much on you and your staff. I would like to have the indefinite leaves (and short term, if possible) from January 1, 1945, to post on our individual cards later. Obviously, there will be no stopping point until all of the residents are relocated or moved, and I would eventually like to have leave data on all the residents in Minidoka.

The following information will be sufficient for my purpose:

1. Name
2. Family Number (or other identification)
3. Date of departure
4. Type of Leave (abbreviated)
5. Destination

The leaves can be in any order, since we can later shuffle them into alphabetical order. If it is necessary to copy such a list, it would be very convenient for cutting and shuffling purposes if triple space is left between each item, like this:

2/23/45 Ray 19457 S-T Chicago, Ill.

2/23/45 Fumiko Nakamura 5739 Ind-___ Seattle, Wash.

etc., etc.

To complete our data, a similar record of transfers and other admissions is also desirable.

With thanks for your cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

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107 Tamalpais Road,
Berkeley, Calif.
May 22, 1945

Mr. Harold Ickes
Secretary of the Interior
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Ickes:

I thought you would be interested in reading a copy of my letter to Mr. Dillon Meyer, who replied on May 11 to my April 29th letter addressed to you, in which I urged creation of some form of government housing for those Japanese-Americans who wish to return to their former communities on the west coast.

I wrote originally to you rather than to Mr. Meyer, for I knew that the attitude of the WRA is that they have no funds for housing and that in the main the Japanese-Americans must find housing opportunities for themselves.

After three years of inactivity in the evacuation centers we find most of the evacuees timid, afraid of hard work, and often incapable of seeking out new homes, even if there were homes to be had.

I hope you will look through the cases cited in my letter to Mr. Meyer showing the great housing shortage on the west coast, and seek, through Congress if necessary, to have appropriations obtained both for housing and greater financial aid for the Japanese-American people.

Sincerely yours,

Doris Stanislawski
Chairman Japanese-American
Resettlement Committee
Berkeley Inter-racial Committee

Copy of a letter from Dillon Meyer to Doris Stanislawski

Dear Mrs. Stanislawski:

I have read with considerable interest your letter of April 29 addressed to Secretary Ickes, regarding the problem of securing housing for returning evacuees.

The acute shortage of housing in the big cities on the West Coast, as elsewhere in the United States, is certainly one of the most difficult problems with which we have to contend in the re-settlement program. I do think that the two cases you cite are rather exceptional, since we have found that single men and couples willing to live in "rented rooms" are generally able to find this kind of housing with a moderate amount of searching. However, finding suitable living quarters in defense plant areas is hard enough right now for anyone.

We do not have authority to build new housing for evacuee resettlers, and much of the occupancy of public housing in crowded areas is limited, by legislation, to persons engaged in essential war activities. However, returning evacuees who enter essential activities will be eligible for public housing on the same basis as other individuals, and we are keeping in touch with the federal housing agencies to explore the possibilities of public housing for evacuee war workers.

I do think that a great deal can be done to solve this problem by making better use of the housing which is now available. We are arranging for one member of the WRA staff in each district office to devote full time to working on the problem of housing. The enclosed memorandum outlines some of the techniques which may be utilized in helping the evacuees to find temporary and permanent homes. The turnover in large cities is so great that individuals who can find temporary shelter and devote much of their time to house-hunting can usually find permanent housing suited to their needs, as we have found in relocating evacuees in Cleveland, Chicago, and other war-crowded communities.

The hostels in big cities serve a useful purpose in this process, by giving evacuee resettlers a place to stay while they hunt for permanent quarters. The hostels also enable a family head to bring his family with him when he leaves the center, a procedure which is highly desirable from the standpoint of locating housing, since an individual holding a regular job finds it hard to spend enough time house-hunting, and usually has to look late in the day after many vacancies have been filled. Hostels have already been opened in Los Angeles and Pasadena, as well as in many cities of the East and Midwest, and others are planned. We have made arrangements to transfer to West Coast hostels on a loan basis furniture and equipment surplus to our needs.

In addition, we will continue to explore other possibilities

temporary and permanent housing. While evacuee resettlers will find that locating homes takes a good deal of time and effort, and frequently the quarters located are not ideal from all standpoints, I believe that the housing problem is far from insurmountable, and even the less desirable shelter available is superior to the barracks homes of the relocation centers.

We do very much appreciate your interest and assistance in this problem, as in the resettlement program in general. I hope that we may continue to have this assistance during the coming months.

Sincerely,

D.S. Myer (signed)

Director

Enclosure

107 Tamalpais Road
Berkeley, Calif.
May 21, 1945

Mr. Dillon Meyer
Director, War Relocation Authority
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Meyer:

Thank you for your letter of May 11. I hope that you will continue to explore other possibilities for permanent housing for persons of Japanese Ancestry for the housing situation on the west coast is indeed desperate.

I cannot agree with your statement that the two cases I cited of persons unable to find housing are in any way exceptional. As further evidence of the great need on the west coast I would like to list the cases with which I am familiar at the present time in Berkeley and Oakland alone. There are of course many other cases unknown to me and the list does not include the San Francisco area, of which I do not have much personal knowledge but where I am told the housing shortage is even worse than on our side of the bay.

The following persons are still in Oakland or Berkeley in hostels or as temporary guests in private homes, looking for any house, apartment or housekeeping rooms for their families who have remained behind in the camps.

Mie Kashiwase, whose husband is fighting in Burma, needs a home for her mother and three children. Here since May 1.

Saburo Matsumoto needs home for family of four still in Topaz. Here since April 29.

George Nakahara is looking for two flats for two family units waiting in Amache, Col. Here since April 29.

Shigeyoshi Isaki, whose family of four is waiting in Topaz, came here for one week in January, returned to Topaz, came again May 13, and now thinks it is hopeless to find a place.

N. Hashiguchi, family of three in Topaz, has been here since May 13.

Saburo Sasaki, family of three waiting in Rivers, Arizona, has been here since May 13.

Henry Yemoto and Mrs. Kuri, his elderly aunt, too old to work, have been here for two weeks and cannot find even housekeeping rooms.

H. Suehiro, family of four, Topaz, came May 4.

George Hamada has been Berkeley at the Baptist Divinity School for at least two months, trying to find something for a family of four waiting somewhere near Chicago.

Tom Innuzudo has been here several weeks looking for a home for his family with no success. He has just returned to camp to see if he can persuade his father to put the family savings in the purchase of a home.

George Hoshida is looking for a family of three.

Mr. and Mrs. Okamoto are living in a rented room in Berkeley and looking for a place where they can live with their parents who are waiting in Topaz and with a baby expected in October.

Miss Noriko Sawada and Miss Uyeda, both working a 48 (one possibly 44) hour week in San Francisco, for some time had to take a part time domestic position as well in order to get a room, working three hours a day besides the eight at secretarial work. At present they are in a private home for four weeks. By June 20 they will need rooms again.

The following persons are waiting in Topaz until some agency here can tell them of a place to live. They wish to come to Berkeley or Oakland.

Ichiro Isokawa, family of four.
H. Heki, family of four.
K. Kitamura, two persons.
Mrs. K. Saito, two persons, (she has two sons in the Army)
Joseph Aoki, family of four.
Y. Itsuki, family of five.
K. Komatsu, family of four in camp, daughter in Chicago.
K. Morizono, family of three.
Mr. and Mrs. Sakada.
Family of four, friends of Mr. Joe Tsukomoto, living in his own home in Berkeley.

The following persons have come to the East-bay stayed for periods of one to three weeks to search for housing for their families, and gone back to the camps when they could find nothing. This is only a fraction of the number who have done this. How can the evacuation centers be closed January 1, 1946 when this situation must be duplicated in every large west coast city?

Fred Nomura, here May 12-18, a former Oaklander, returned to Salt Lake, where he left his family of five.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Uyeda, formerly of Oakland, returned to Salt Lake City, after 8 days here, May 1-9.

Mr. K. Yamagata, here May 13-18 returned to his family of 3 in Idaho.

Mr. Kiyoshi Yamashita here April 29 to May 18 has returned to his family of three in Topaz.

Oscar Yokoyama here April 16-21 has returned to his family of three in Rivers, Arizona.

George Suyama, of Rivers, Arizona, here April 16-21 could not even find a room for himself.

S. W. Yamashita, here May 2-9 returned to his family of four in Topaz, Utah.

Yosh Susuki has just returned to camp, I believe it is Rivers.

You state that a great deal can be done to solve this problem by making better use of the housing now available - but there is no rental housing available here for any race. Real estate firms, for the most part, no longer operate rental departments.

You also suggest that it is better for a family head to bring his family with him when he leaves the center, yet how can a man make the serious decision to accept government funds for permanent relocation travel expenses for his whole family when it is possible that no housing may be available for them. I believe the government should make available funds for a round trip from the camp to each wage-earner (or to the whole family if this seems desirable) for an exploratory job and house-seeking trip.

Many persons, especially couples, are being forced into domestic service, (when before the war they carried on other occupations) in order to find a place to live.

Others are forced to put their small capital into buying a house, (in this region at very inflated prices) often with a small down payment.

If persons of Japanese ancestry are to be allowed to return to the west coast in practice rather than in theory, the government must create housing for these dispossessed people. If funds are not available to the War Relocation Authority Congress should be asked to make them available.

Assuring you of the co-operation of the Berkeley Inter-racial Committee in anything you may be able to do to make housing and greater financial assistance available to Japanese-Americans.

Sincerely yours,

Doris Stanislawski
Chairman Japanese-American
Resettlement Committee
Berkeley Inter-Racial Committee

cc: Mr. Harold Ickes
Mr. Lawton

June 7, 1945

Dear Fern:

Sometime ago I sent you a bunch of cards for checking with your form 26's. I have had no questions from you about them and I assume that the filling in of the blanks would be a matter that would be clear from the context. I should have sent you a covering letter, but complications developed here that made the whole thing slip from my mind.

Tomorrow we are returning all of the Colorado River form 26's, by freight, and I am sending also a smaller package, by express, including a few of the Colorado River forms that would not go into the large freight boxes, plus selected Tule Lake forms that Mr. Stauber kindly sent me. Will you thank him for his courtesy, and tell him that they are being returned intact.

I am enclosing a short list of persons now at Tule Lake for whom I should be most grateful if I could receive the 26 forms. These, I will send back to you within a few days after receiving them.

With many thanks for your continued cordial cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

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NAMES FOR FORM 26's (Now at Tule Lake)

	<u>Birthplace</u>	<u>Birth date</u>	<u>Former Project</u>
Toshio George Kuratomi	U.S.	1915	Jerome
Rev. Shizuo Kai	U.S.	1912	Jerome
Aizo Takahashi	J.	1879	Cent. Utah
Satoshi Tom Yoshiyama	U.S.	1918	Cent. Utah
Mitsuho Kimura	U.S.	1916	Jerome
Isamu Andrew Sugimoto	U.S.	1906	Colo. R.
Hiroshi Harry Nogawa	J.	1904	Colo. R.
Ichiro Hayashi	J.	1917	Jerome
Hiroyoshi Tsuda	U.S.	1902	T. Lake
Jirozo George Yamatani	J.	1884	Colo. R.
Frank Furukawa	U.S.	1908	T. Lake
William Mayeda	U.S.	1912	T. Lake
Masao Shimada	U.S.	1919	Rohwer
Iwao Namekawa	U.S.	1914	Rohwer
Yoshimuro Byron Akitsuki	U.S.	1912	T. Lake
Imao Johnny Naydo	Hawaii?	1905	Rohwer
Joe S. Nakao	Hawaii	1901	T. Lake
Kumaharu Okamoto	J.	?	T. Lake
Inekichi Harry Tateishi	J.	?	Ht. Mountain
Yaozo Hitomi	J.	?	T. Lake
Z. Tachibana	J.	?	Colo. River
Kinzo Elmer Wakayama	Hawaii	1887?	Manzanar
Isamu Sam Uchida	U.S.	1915	Colo. River
Rev. Jitsushige Tsuha	Hawaii	1915	Jerome
Shigeru Stanton Matsuda	J.	1906	Jerome
Kazue Violet Matsuda	U.S.	1916	Jerome
Gentaro Ono	J.	1897	Colo. River
Sanae Akashi	J.	1893	Cent. Utah
Yaichiro Miyamoto	J.	1895	Jerome
Shuneichi Shishido	J.	1889	Manzanar
Tsutomu Higashi	U.S.	1921	Manzanar
Masao Sakamoto	J.	1902	Rohwer
Michio Mike Imachi	U.S.	1914	Jerome
Yoshisuke Joseph Jo Kurihara	Hawaii	1895	Manzanar
Jyūji George Yamashiro	U.S.	1914	Gila River
Naoji James Takeuchi	U.S.	1914	Gila River
Akira William Nishino	U.S.	1918	Gila River
Yutaka Thomas Oda	U.S.	1913	Gila River
Morihiko Tokunaga	J.		Manzanar
Kiyo Shimada	J.		Manzanar

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U.S. Department of the Interior
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Washington, D.C.

(The following letter was written by Mr. Dillon S. Myer, Director of the WRA, in answer to a letter from the Acting Chairman of the All Center Conference in regard to WRA's comments on the recommendations made by the All Center Conference on the resettlement program.)

July 14, 1945

Mr. S. Hideshima
Acting Chairman
All Center Conference
Central Utah Relocation Center
Topaz, Utah

Dear Mr. Hideshima:

I am sorry to see, from your letter of June 18, that you believe that WRA is not giving the evacuee resettlers as much help as it could.

It is my belief, on the contrary, that we are doing everything we possibly can to help the evacuees get back to a normal, self-sustaining and independent status. Moreover, considerable progress has already been made toward this goal. About 48,000 evacuees have already left the centers to resettle in normal communities. During the four months since the Salt Lake City Conference, well over 7,000 persons resettled from the centers.

It is true, of course, that there are still many problems which have to be met by each relocating family and individual. Unfortunately, there is no way in which this agency or any other can simply wipe out the results of the evacuation as though it had never taken place. All we can do is to help the evacuees in bridging the gap between life in the relocation centers and normal life in outside communities. And there are definite limitations, because of our limited personnel and limited funds, on the amount of assistance we can make available. However, we have so far found a solution for every family relocation problem that has arisen, and we do not believe that any of these problems are unsolvable.

We are carrying on a planned program of resettlement which takes into consideration the many problems facing each evacuee resettler. Where the original evacuation took place suddenly, on a mass basis, without time or opportunity for individual preparation or individual choice, the present program of resettlement is one of individual readjustment on the basis of individual choice. The evacuees have been free to decide when to leave, where to resettle, and how to travel. We do not direct the evacuee's choice of occupation. We merely try to give the resettler every assistance within our power to enable him to make an intelligent choice on the basis of adequate knowledge and to carry out the plan of resettlement he has chosen.

The financial help available to evacuee resettlers is one example of this kind of assistance. It is not an indemnification for losses suffered during the evacuation; the whole question of indemnities is an entirely separate one which will have to be decided ultimately by the Congress. The relocation grants are not meant to offer long-term support, and even if the grants were doubled, many of the evacuees would still have to regain their pre-war status the slow way, by getting out of the center and getting to work at a paying job. Especially now when jobs are so plentiful, I am convinced that the assistance which is now available is sufficient to help the evacuees in doing just that.

Similarly, a great deal of progress has been made in solving the problem of finding housing. We are arranging for a WRA staff member in each large District Office to devote full time to working with local housing agencies, exploring sources of additional housing, and advising local cooperating committees as to the help which they can provide. Hostels have been established in Los Angeles, Pasadena, Sacramento, San Jose, Oakland, Fresno, San Francisco, and San Mateo, and in thirteen cities in the East and Midwest. In Portland as in Philadelphia, Cleveland, and several other cities, arrangements have been made to open public housing projects to evacuees. A recent amendment to the Lanham Act making families of servicemen eligible for public housing in FPHA projects (except those limited to workers in specific industries) will make many evacuee families eligible for public housing. There is a very rapid turn-over in housing in most cities, and I am confident that with the many procedures which we have developed for finding housing, any evacuee family which can find a temporary place to stay -- in a hostel or elsewhere -- and will devote time to looking, can find a permanent place in course of time.

I am distinctly surprised and disappointed in the statement in your letter that the closing of the schools in the relocation centers "seems like an underhanded method employed to oust people from their respective centers." I can place no other construction upon this statement than that it is a charge of bad faith on the part of WRA. If this is true, I am convinced that the great majority of center residents do not share this view. Regardless of individual differences of opinion which many center residents may have with WRA, I feel sure that nearly all of them have always given us credit for being straightforward and for making an honest effort to help them in the solution of their problems. To the best of my knowledge, this is the first time that a charge of bad faith has been made against us by center residents. I earnestly hope that it will be the last.

Actually, there is no hidden or mysterious motive at all behind the closing of the center schools. It is, on the contrary, a natural and inevitable result of the program of center liquidation. Since all the centers will be closed by December, it would be obviously impossible for WRA or anyone else to provide an adequate educational program for the few children still remaining in relocation centers next fall. Consequently, it must be made clear that there will be no schools. The sooner families can get their children out of the centers where they have already spent too many of their formative years, and into normal

schools and communities where they can grow up like other Americans, the better it will be both for them and for the evacuee group as a whole.

I think it is worthy of notice that in the two months since Secretary Ickes' press statement condemning incidents of terrorism against evacuees on the West Coast, there has been only one "incident" against a returning evacuee. There has at this writing been none of any importance since May 24th. I consider this evidence of the fact that the race-baiters and terrorists are actually only a small minority of the people on the West Coast, who, as a result of the publicity given to their actions, and the resulting protests against this type of activity from newspapers and individuals all over the country, combined with the actions of police authorities, are coming to realize that their fight to scare the evacuees away from their West Coast homes is both a losing and an unpopular one.

Thousands of evacuees have returned, and there have been some thirty "incidents." They have been played up in the papers because they were dramatic. We have helped to publicize them because we believe that that is one of the best ways of preventing further incidents. I am entirely convinced that as the evacuees come back and settle down, and it becomes more and more evident that the small exclusionist groups have not succeeded in their campaigns to keep the Japanese Americans permanently evacuated, the agitation and terrorism which is now distinctly on the wane will cease entirely.

I want to repeat that the people of Japanese ancestry have more active friends than they ever had before. Americans all over the United States are aware of the outstanding achievements of American soldiers of Japanese descent in Europe and in the Pacific. Groups and individuals all over the country are doing what they can to help the evacuees find homes and jobs. I sincerely hope that the people still in centers will do nothing to turn these friends away.

However, evacuee resettlers will still find that there is prejudice on the part of some people, a minority of Americans, against people of Japanese descent. This is not new. There was prejudice before the evacuation. And before the evacuation, the Japanese Americans seemed to have learned pretty well to take occasional prejudice in their stride. They will certainly never get rid of prejudice now by sitting in the centers and asking the government to support them indefinitely. Such a move would only intensify prejudice.

There can be no change in policy regarding center closing. They will be closed in accordance with plans announced more than six months ago. Anyone among the evacuee leaders who tries to convince center residents to the contrary is doing a distinct disservice to the residents.

We are doing and will continue to do everything we can to help the evacuees ~~move~~ forward to a future where they can be independent and respected. I believe that we have already made substantial progress

toward that goal and that as more evacuees come forward for relocation assistance, they will find that their individual problems can and will be solved.

Since I note that your letter to me has been mimeographed for distribution, I am also having mimeographed copies made of this letter for distribution at relocation centers.

Sincerely,

/s/ D. S. Myer

Director

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WASHINGTON

July 27, 1945

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dr. Dorothy S. Thomas
University of California
c/o Giannini Hall
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Reference is made to shipment from Berkeley, California via freight of three boxes to the attention of Mrs. Fern E. French, War Relocation Authority, Washington, D. C.

We are in receipt of Arrival Notice from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company stating that on presentation of bill of lading or freight bill reference showing proof of ownership, delivery will be effected. We have contacted Mrs. French and she has no record of transmittal of the above noted document.

Please advise this office how shipment was handled, whether prepaid or on a commercial bill of lading.

Sincerely yours,

S. L. Zimmer
S. L. Zimmer
Acting Finance & Supply Officer

*sent on
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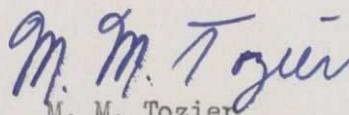
September 26, 1945

Mrs. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Mrs. Thomas:

In response to your request of September 14 for maps of certain of the Relocation Centers, we are attaching the following: Minidoka; Tule Lake before and after segregation; Poston, Units 1 and 2. We do not have in the Washington office extra copies of maps of Poston Unit 3 or of either Canal or Butte camps at Gila River. We are, however, writing the Project Directors at these Centers on this date, asking them to forward to you direct, the missing maps, which you should receive shortly. If there is any further way in which we can be of service, please let us know.

Sincerely,



M. M. Tozier
Chief, Reports Division

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UNITED STATES
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WASHINGTON

October 5, 1945

Mrs. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
Evacuation and Resettlement Study
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Mrs. Thomas:

Mr. Charles Lynn of the Reports Division has asked me to write and thank you for so promptly returning the six envelopes containing the final report of the Jerome Relocation Center. It was received in good order.

However, there was one folder which must inadvertently have been left out. This folder was entitled, "Community Activities Section," and contained several papers dealing with: Organization, Buddhist Church, The Christian Church, Catholic Church Activities, Y.W.C.A., Clubs and Organizations, Athletics, The Center Library, Forums, and United Service Organization. I would appreciate it very much if you would run this down and send it along so that our file will be complete.

Sincerely,

M. M. Tozier

M. M. Tozier
Chief, Reports Division



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October 25, 1945

Mrs. Fern French, Head
Statistics Division
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Fern:

Thank you for sending me the memorandum regarding the statistical files. We are, of course, deeply interested in getting hold of that set of IBM cards for our library here. George Kuznets has been making an elaborate statistical analysis and we are going particularly to need records on the population at the Tule Lake Segregation Center in order to complete work he is doing for a monograph in our series. Will you please let me know what steps I should take to assure that we get these records, and could you, if possible, give me some time estimate on the matter. I am at present writing the manuscript for the first volume in our series and it will be largely non-statistical, but by early spring we should be ready to plunge into these more technical matters again.

We shall also certainly want a microfilm set of the certificates of births and deaths, provided there is no complete set to go to the library. Is it proper to put in an official request at this time? If so, I could get Mr. Coney, the chief librarian, to arrange this I am sure.

What are your own plans now that WRA is about to fold up? The situation here for graduate work in sociology is much better than when you were considering it before. We have no Department as yet, but there may be one in the offing. In the meantime, we are getting a group of absolutely first-rate graduate students. Since work at the Ph.D. level is mostly independent and does not depend so much on guidance from the professors, this factor of stimulation from fellow students is a very important one. I think you would find it exciting and interesting to come back here and you would certainly have material available to you that would, with the work you have already done for WRA, make a first-rate thesis.

Under separate cover, I am sending the few Tule Lake

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form 26's which we still have on hand. Regarding the Minidoka records, I am waiting to hear from you in reply to my telegram.

With cordial regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 25, 1945

DR. D.S. THOMAS

NO URGENT NEED FOR MINIDOKA RECORDS. RETURN AS SOON
AS PRACTICAL.

MRS. FERN E. FRENCH, HEAD
STATISTICS SECTION

2:15 p.m.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON



OCT 31 1945

Miss Mary Wilson, Secretary
Evacuation and Resettlement Study
University of California
207 Giannini Hall
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Miss Wilson:

There is appended hereto a copy of "Terminal Departures
From Center" Report Number 38, week ending September 22, 1945
which you requested in your letter of October 24.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ollie O'Neal".

Ollie O'Neal
Secretary, Statistics Section

Enclosure

November 1, 1945

Mrs. Fern French, Head
Statistics Section
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. French:

Enclosed is a short list of persons at Poston
(Camp I) for whom we would like to receive WRA 26's.
We will return the forms as soon as we have abstracted
the information we need.

Thanking you for your past cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Wilson, Secretary
Evacuation & Resettlement Study

Enclosure

POSTON

Names for Form 26's

Abe, Frank Block 37, Born 1910, from Seal Beach
Adachi, George
Akutagawa, Taro
Amano, Horoshi
Amano, Kenneth Hideo
Arita, Hagemu
Deguchi, Frank Tsize
Eddow, Shigetoki
Ekimoto, Yoshio
Endo, Kitaro
Fujii, George
Fukuda, Frank Kiyochi
Fukuda, William
Fukushima, George Ichiji
Fukuyama, Iwao Paul
Furuya, Roy
Hamagiwa, Jutaro
Hanamura, Harvey
Hane, Masaharu
Hara, Saichi
Hara, Umetaro
Hirata, Tomeharu
Hiroto, Iemon
Hayano, Mieki
Hayashi, Masaru
Hayashi, Tadao
Higashi, Paul Masata
Horita, Kazuo Tom
Iijima, Richard, Block 28
Ikeda, Kinjo Yoshiya
Ikeda, Kazuo
Ichiyasu, Miss Makiko
Ikemiya, Chokichi
Iseda, Gyosuke
Imamura, Shig
Inagaki, Frank Kuniiji
Ishimaru, Dr. T.G.
Ito, Isami James
Ito, Tomo
Iwata, Richard Hieoshi
Iwatate, Masao
Jo, Asakuma
Iwasaki, Tetsuo
Kadotani, Katsukiyo Kay
Kadowaki, Jin Frank
Kanno, Masao
Kanegae, Henry
Kaneko, George Mitsuo
Karakane, Takayoshi
Katow, Masakazu Smoot
Kitsunai, Meishi

6 - h's
2 - b's

Kato, George Yoshitaro
Katow, Henry Shigejiro
Kawabata, Shigoyoshi
Kasuga, Bill Hiroshi
Kawabe, Kenji
Kawaii, Frank Yoshikazu
Kawasaki, Yukitaro
Kawashima, Jono Masaru or Jono, Masaru Kawashima
Kawashima, Tsugihiko Guy
Kido, Saburo
Kobayashi, Frank Shioichi
Kunitani, Ann Yaeko
Kurisaki, Lyle
Kushiyama, Yasumoto Samuel
Kozuma, Ernest
Kakudo, Howard Kaoru
Kohama, Jack Hidechi
Kubota, John (Camp II)
Kunitani, Micho
Kurisu, Jiro
Kurisu, Masao
Kuroiwa, Kichiemon (Camp II)
Kuroiwa, Tokio
Kuwahara, Frank
Maruoka, Thomas Ikito
Masukane, Setsuichi
Masukane, Mikito
Masaki, Yoshio
Masuda, Thomas Shinao
Matsubara, Nobuo
Matsumoto, Kazuma
Matoba, Takao
Mitani, Rev. Masatane
Miwa, Henry
Mohri, Yaetaro
Mizusawa, Frank Shojiro
Murakami, Yukito
Murai, Motoi
Murakami, James Uichi
Murata, Suematsu
Mizushima, Nagisa
Nagakura, George
Nagai, Masayoshi Gen
Nagata, Masato
Nagakura, George
Nakachi, Hisakichi
Nakai, Joe Hideo
Nagamatsu, Paul
Nakagawa, Jack Yoshio
Nakano, Arthur
Nakamura, Chuji
Nakamura, Koichi

Nakamura, Masatoshi
Niino, Kaichi
Niisato, Kanichi
Niita, Shosuke
Nishida, Jay (Camp III)
Niiseki, Sutarō Fred
Niizawa, Matsunosuke
Nishijima, Masayoshi
Nishimura, Kay
Nishioka, Harry
Noguchi, Isamu
Nomura, Seiichi
Odagawa, Ichiro Henry
Ogawa, Hidemi
Okabe, Satoru
Okamoto, Minoru (Block 30)
Okamoto, Minoru (Block 11)
Okazaki, Kwae Robert
Omori, Juro
Ono, Ray Berkeley
Onishi, Rychel
Ota, Fred
Otsuka, Frank K.
Otsuki, Dentaro
Okabe, Hitoshige
Oye, Manzo
Sakai, Kinichi
Sakai, Robert Kenjiro
Sakai, ~~Sakae~~ Yotaro Tom
Sakai, Tamotsu Tom
Sano, Yonenaga
Sasaki, Sadao
Sakamoto, Seizo
Sasuga, Shozo
Shibata, Kenichi
Shibata, Takeo
Shigekawa, Kiyoshi, born 1912
Shigemura, Sosuke
Saito, Frank
Sugi, Chihiro
Sugi, Chitoshi
Sugimoto, Andy Isamu
Shigemi, Noboru Frank
Sugino, Mrs. Chika
Sugiyama, Franklin
Sumida, Tsuneco
Suski, Elmer Clarence
Suzuki, Harvey
Suzuki
Tachibana, Mary
Takahashi, Joe
Takahashi, Aijiro
Takahashi, Kuni
Ouchi, Edward Ichiji

Tsukao, Miss Tsuga
Takashima, James (Camp III)
Takemori, Henry Tokumatsu
Takeshita, Mitsuto
Tazawa, Roy Tsutomu
Tanagi, Johnny
Tanaka, Frank Tsutomu
Tanaka, Frank
Tanaka, Leo Riuichi
Tanaka, Shinpei
Tanomaye
Tawa, Tao, Yukinobu Jack
Tsuchiya, Stanley
Tsukamoto, Sukesaburo
Tsuneishi, Masayoshi
Tsuneyoshi, Moritako Seika
Ueki, Masukichi
Uno, Jack Toshio
Uragami, Nobuo Bob
Uyeno, Kinzi
Wakimoto, Toshie
Wumino, Gerald Shigeru
Yahino, Jim
Yahiro, James Sadajiro
Yabuno, Ben Hyoyo
Yamada, Sakuji
Yamamoto, Elmer
Yamauchi, Togo
Yano, Thomas Yutaka
Yanomoto, Ichizo
Yoshida, Roy Tamotsu
Yoshikawa, Sekizo
Yoshioka, Tahachiro
Yoneyama, Kohki
Yukawa, Genji George

French
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1388 Tuckerman St. N.W.
Washington, 11, DC
November 2, 1945

Dear Dorothy,

Regarding the IBM cards and the coded WRA-26s from which they were made, I don't think there is much that needs to be done about them. I'm reasonably sure that Archives doesn't want them so they should automatically go to the University at Berkeley.

The set of cards which we had made for the Master File, as I mentioned before, can't be used for sorting but they do have all changes of address posted; that is, all changes which we were told about or were able to pick up from correspondence, newspapers, etc. If you want that set, too, because of the added information, I can suggest that H. Collins make inquiry of the University re. them. The pre-evacuation address is ~~also~~ written out completely on the file set, too.

The only set of complete live birth, still birth and death certificates will be in this Section and it is scheduled for the Archives. Centers kept copies but many are mixed up in individual folders, etc. Miss Collins requested centers which had kept certificates together to keep them for transmittal to Berkeley. But you can't count on their being complete. Since we will have them here, and since the Bureau of the Census is coding all death certificates for us for cause of death, a microfilm of these would appear to be most useful.

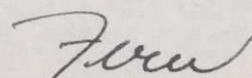
The Washington office will probably be open until July 1 although ^{not} all sections will be in operation. Since so much of our time has been spent in keeping up with operational statistics, we will be able to use all of the time available on work which we've had to push aside. That means that we probably won't be in a position to release our basic materials until after that time. Don't see any reason why the IBM cards for sorting which we haven't used for some time and which are stored out at the Bureau of the Census at Suitland, couldn't be released earlier if there was a need for them.

If the University in Los Angeles also wants a microfilm of the certificates, I should think the two sets could be requested together. After all of our queries have been answered, after the death certificates are coded (in a couple of weeks probably), and after we've made our tabulations, we could send them out for filming. Would have to work out some deal with finance for the cost, I suppose.

The only thing I'm sure about after I leave WRA around July 1 is that I'm coming west. I would like to build on the experience I will have had for three years but in what way I'm not sure. The perpetual grind hasn't been conducive to much contemplation!

Will be going to Tule Lake in December or January. Will try to get to Berkeley.

Sincerely,



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON

NOV 14 1945

Miss Mary Wilson, Secretary
Evacuation and Resettlement Study
University of California
207 Giannini Hall
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Miss Wilson:

Enclosed are 188 Individual Records of evacuees who have been at Colorado River which you requested be loaned to you in your letter of November 1, 1945. We are keeping the copy of names which you sent as a record of transmittal.

We are including two records for Frank SUGIYAMA, Frank Noboru and Frank Shinichi, both of whom have been at Colorado River. Our records do not include material for a Takeo SHIBATA from Colorado River; records are enclosed for a person by that name from Rohwer and for a Shinpei Roy TANAKA from Gila. We are also sending forms for Jack Toshiichi UNO, from Minidoka, and John Toshio UNE, from Gila, since we find nothing for Jack Toshio UNO at Colorado River.

Sincerely yours,

Fern E. French

(Mrs) Fern E. French
Head, Statistics Section

Enclosure: 192 WRA 26-Rev. 1



NAMES FOR CASE HISTORIES

Rosalie Hankey

DAIHYO SHA AND NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

George Toshio Kuratomi U.S., 1915, Jerome
 Rev. Shizuo Kai (Leupp) U.S. 1912, Jerome
 Aizo Takahashi J. 1879, Central Utah
 (Tom) Satoshi Yoshiyama U.S., 1918, Central Utah.
 Mitsuho Kimura U.S. 1916, Jerome.
 Isamu Andrew Sugimoto U.S. 1906 - Colorado, River.
 Hiroshi Narry Nogawa J. 1904, " "
 Ichiro Hayashi (HAYASHI) - J. 1917. Jerome.
 Hiroyoshi Hiroshi Tsuda U.S., 1902, Tule Lake

Check WITH DICK

COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND CONSERVATIVES

Girozo - George Yamatani - J. 1884. Colorado River.
 William Frank Furukawa - U.S., 1908, Tule Lake
 Mayeda, U.S., 1912, Tule Lake.
 Masao Shimada U.S. 1919, Rower
 Iwao Namekawa U.S. 1914 " "
 Yoshimura Byron Akitsuki U.S., 1912, Tule Lake.
 Imao - John ~~Mano~~ (Naydo ~~Mano~~) - Hawaii - ? 1905, Rower.
 Joe Nakao Hawaii, 1901, Tule Lake. - check this guy.
 Kumaharu Okamoto J - (?) " "
 Tateishi - check.
 Yaozo Hitomi J - (?) Tule Lake.

RESEGREGATION GROUP

Z. Tachibana
 Elmer Kinzo Wakayama - J. - Colo. River. many.
 Isamu Uchida U.S. 1915 Colo. River.
 Rev. Tsuha (Leupp?) Hawaii, 1915, Jerome. Leupp.
 Jitsushige Shigeru Matsuda - 1906 - J - Jerome
 Violet Matsuda - U.S., 1916 - " "
 Stanton Gentaro Ono - 1897 J - Colo. River.
 Kazuo Sanae Akashi - J - 1893 - Cent. Utah.
 Yaichiro Miyamoto - J 1895 - Jerome -
 Shunichi Shishido - J 1889 - Manga.
 Tsutomu Higashi (Leupp) - U.S. 1921. man. Leupp.
 Masao Sakamoto J - 1902 - Rower.
 Joe Imachi (Kiyo Shimada. Uchi)

INBERMANTS

Yoshisuke Joseph Jo
 J. Kurihara (Leupp) U.S. 1895 - man. Leupp.
 Jyuji George Yamashiro (Leupp) U.S., 1914 - Sila R. Leupp.
 Masaji James Takeuchi U.S. 1914 - Sila R.
 Akira William Bill Nishino U.S. 1918 - Sila R.
 Thomas Tataka Oda U.S. 1913 - " "
 Morihiko Tokunaga, J. man.

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December 11, 1945

Mr. B. R. Stauber, Chief
Relocation Planning Division
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Stauber:

There are a number of points that I would like to take up with you; partly in regard to data that we need now, partly in regard to the disposition of certain of your records which, if they could come to the University of California Library at Berkeley, would greatly enhance the value of our collections.

First, in regard to a few data that I need now and would be extremely grateful if you would make them available: (a) Do you have a complete breakdown of the military registration results by relocation projects? The only statistics I have now available are those from the restricted WRA report that was brought out shortly after registration. At that time data were obviously incomplete for a number of projects. I assume that by this time there are no restrictions on the use of registration data, but I hesitate to use any of them without verification from you. (b) In the Semi-Annual Report of July 1 to December 31, 1944, the Tule Lake population is broken down into 5-year age groups in Table V. I wonder whether you have manuscript tables showing the breakdown by 1-year age groups. I am particularly interested in such a breakdown for Nisei for ages 15 through 29. (c) This last Semi-Annual Report omits all employment data. I wonder whether crude tables of number of persons employed by relocation projects are available in comparable form with those published in earlier Semi-Annual reports and, if so, whether I might have access to them.

Second, in regard to records that should be added to our Library collection: (a) We should I think have a complete set of coded form 26's and the extra set of IBM cards which you are not using and which, I understand, are at present stored somewhere in the suburbs of Washington. Do you think it would be possible for us to get these records? (b) I have a special interest in the segregation record which will, I think, be invaluable for future research. Again, will it be possible to have these sent to our depository? (c) The complete vital statistics, as I understand it, might be either microfilmed or photostated for our Library, and either the library or our own study will pay for these records. (d) I further understand

December 11, 1945

that you have E-Z Sort cards for all indefinite leaves up to about March, 1945. These too seem to be important basic data which would be very useful to many people interested in the problem. In brief, I would like to know whether these various sets of data are likely to be sent to our Library, or if there are any administrative steps that we should take to insure their availability. If it is at all possible, I should like to have at least the segregation material available by the end of February, 1946.

In the third place, there is still one more favor I should like to ask of you. I have no connections with people in the Federal Communications Commission, but I should like to get transcripts of Tokyo radio short-wave broadcasts between about December 8 and December 13, and also December 22 and December 25, 1941. I am informed that these broadcasts told the Japanese in America that Japan would "take care of you after the war," and urged them to bear the hardships that they would meet in America with fortitude. These alleged reports have, as you of course know, been the basis of many rumors in the projects, and I should like to have an accurate transcript of the records, if possible.

I am enclosing a reprint of a short article by George Sabagh and myself. If you would like to have any additional ones I shall, of course, be glad to send them. What happened to the article that you were writing on indefinite leaves? I have been eagerly looking forward to seeing some of your analyses of these problems.

If you are coming out this way soon, and I assume that you will be visiting Tule Lake before it closes, please get in touch with us. We enjoyed seeing you so much when you were here last year.

With cordial regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

Enclosure

Dear Dorothy -

Your 1-13 letter came today.
I'm damned sorry. Read
your request myself in BRS's
Office 12-14. Have wired
him and sent an airmail
Special to Embrose.

Not one damned thing can
I get here - not even "unofficial"
T.L. residents after segregation.
But we have something in Wash.

Send your letter to Emb at
home in Wash. Think she can
break the deadlock.

I know time is right right
now - sorry this happened.

1-14-46

Fern

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON



JAN 21 1946

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Appended are listings of live births, stillbirths, deaths, marriages and divorces occurring at the following centers:

<u>Center</u>	<u>Period Covered</u>			
<u>Central Utah</u>				
Live Births	January 1945	-	Closing Date	
Stillbirths	" "	-	" "	
Deaths	" "	-	" "	
Marriages	" "	-	" "	
Divorces	Inception of Center	-	" "	
<u>Colorado River</u>				
Live Births	January 1945	-	Closing Date	
Stillbirths	" "	-	" "	
Deaths	" "	-	" "	
Marriages	" "	-	" "	
Divorces	None reported duration of center			
<u>Gila River</u>				
Live Births	January 1945	-	Closing Date	
Stillbirths	" "	-	" "	
Deaths	" "	-	" "	
Marriages	" "	-	" "	
Divorces	None reported duration of center			
<u>Granada</u>				
Live Births	January 1945	-	Closing Date	
Stillbirths	" "	-	" "	
Deaths	" "	-	" "	
Marriages	Inception of Center	-	" "	
Divorces	None reported duration of center			

Heart Mountain

Live Births	January 1945	- Closing Date
Stillbirths	" "	- " "
Deaths	" "	- " "
Marriages	" "	- " "
Divorces	Inception of Center	- " "

Manzanar

Live Births	January 1945	- Closing Date
Stillbirths	" "	- " "
Deaths	" "	- " "
Marriages	" "	- " "
Divorces	Inception of Center	- " "

Minidoka

Live Births	January 1945	- Closing Date
Stillbirths	" "	- " "
Deaths	December 1944	- " "
Marriages	January 1945	- " "
Divorces	Inception of Center	- " "

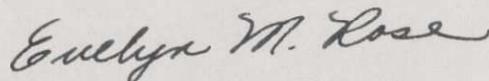
Rohwer

Live Births	January 1945	- Closing Date
Stillbirths	None reported for 1945	
Deaths	January 1945	- " "
Marriages	" "	- " "
Divorces	None reported duration of center	

Tule Lake

Live Births	January 1945	- December 1945
Stillbirths	" "	- " "
Deaths	" "	- " "
Marriages	December 1944	- " "
Divorces	None reported to date	

Sincerely yours,



Evelyn M. Rose
Acting Head, Statistics Section

Enclosures

Washington

January 21, 1946

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
Evacuation and Resettlement Study
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Doctor Thomas:

This will reply, at least in part, to your letter of December 11, 1945, raising a number of questions concerning data and other material related to the program of the War Relocation Authority.

As you know, the University of California at Berkeley has been designated as one of the depositories for considerable information relating to the program of the Authority, and in determining what information will be sent to the University we will be glad to keep your letter in mind.

With respect to the military registration miscellaneous data have been made public in various ways, partly by newspaper accounts at the time certain congressional committees were conducting an inquiry into the subject of registration, and perhaps in addition, on other occasions. In the Semi-Annual Report from January 1 to June 30, 1943, there are included on pages 12 and 13 two tables which give considerable information on original replies to Question 28 during the registration. Subsequent to the issuance of this report, these tables were revised and additional summaries of "final" replies, reflecting changes in answers by evacuees based on a better understanding of the registration program, were prepared. Copies of six tables will be sent under separate cover when they can be retyped giving complete summaries of these results.

With respect to your request for tables giving the Tule Lake population by one year age groups, we are enclosing a summary which uses a one year classification from one year to age 21. Perhaps this will be useful. I am afraid that with respect to your request for employment data for report subsequent to the July 1 to December 1, 1944 report, we are not in a position to supply comparable data.

With respect to your request for the extra set of IBM cards which we have used in preparing some of our basic information, I see no reason why they might not be made available to the University of California. I think we shall have to get clearance from the Archives, however, and it may be a little while before that can be arranged. In any case, I doubt if the transfer can be effected before June 30. We will keep this in mind, however, and I think it will be arranged. Much the same situation is true with respect to our segregation records and some of the material on vital statistics, as well as the E-Z Sort cards on Indefinite Leaves.

With respect to your inquiry concerning the Tokyo radio broadcast between December 8 to December 13, and between December 22 and 25, 1941, I have checked with a member of the staff of the Federal Communications Commission and have been advised that although the broadcast was picked up, he could not find the story on the particular subject you mentioned. If you want to write about the matter further I am confident that a letter addressed to the Commission and directed to the attention of Robert Iki would receive careful consideration.

The article I was preparing on Indefinite Leaves has, I am afraid, gotten hopelessly bogged down in the hurly-burly of center closing. It is pretty well out of date now except as a matter of historic interest. I am not at all sure I will get to Tule Lake in the near future. In fact, Mrs. French is spending some two to three weeks there now helping to get affairs ready for the final closing. She may return through San Francisco, and may see you at that time.

With respect to your request made elsewhere than in this letter, for copies of the Closing Roster for Colorado River and Minidoka, you will be glad to know that we have wired those two centers asking that they send a copy of the Closing Roster to you when the rosters are completed.

Sincerely yours,



B. R. Stauber
Chief, Relocation Planning Division

Enclosure

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON



AIR-MAIL

JAN 29 1946

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
207 Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Enclosed are (1) two tables summarizing original and final replies to Question 28 during the registration program by sex, citizenship, and relocation center, (2) eleven tables summarizing persons segregated at Tule Lake by type of segregee, sex, nativity, and relocation center from which segregated, and (3) eleven tables summarizing persons segregated at Tule Lake by age, sex, nativity, and relocation center from which segregated. In my letter of January 21, I indicated registration results would be summarized in six tables. However as indicated above, these are being forwarded in two tables without any loss of detail.

The data submitted, although subject to possible minor revisions, are essentially our final tabulations. Nevertheless, they are stamped preliminary and subject to revision, since in the course of compiling our final report additional revisions may be found necessary. For this reason, as well as the shortage of typists, the tables are being forwarded in handwritten form.

The categories under "Type of Segregee" represent the classification made by each center, at the time of segregation transfers to Tule Lake, for all persons segregated, as prescribed in the WRA Segregation Manual. The number in each category do not necessarily represent the total number of persons falling into that classification, since many of the "repatriation" segregees, for example, also answered Question 28 negatively but are not included as "registration" segregees. In classifying by "Type of Segregee" preference was given to the categories in the order listed; an interpretation of each classification is also appended.

I believe this enclosure, together with the material submitted with my letter of January 21, completes the Statistical data requested in your letter of December 11 which are available at the present time.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. R. Stauber".

E. R. Stauber
Chief, Relocation Planning Division

Enclosures

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
STATISTICS SECTION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

INTERPRETATION OF TYPE OF SEGREGEE CLASSIFICATIONS FOR SEGREGATION TABLES

- (1) SEGREGATION PAROLEE: Refers to aliens paroled to the Segregation Center at Tule Lake from Department of Justice Internment Camps.
- (2) LEAVE DENIAL: Refers to persons denied leave clearance on basis of leave clearance hearings given at centers, and who were segregated to Tule Lake; all "leave denial" segregees were transferred to Tule Lake during May, 1944.
- (3) REPATRIATION (EXPATRIATION): Refers to persons segregated to Tule Lake who had completed Form WRA-230 or WCCA Form R-100, Individual Request for Repatriation, except for any such persons falling in classifications (1) or (2). ^{prior to Segregation} ^
- (4) REGISTRATION: Refers to persons segregated to Tule Lake who answered question 28 on DSS Form 304A or Form WRA-126 Rev. non-affirmatively during the registration program, except for any such persons falling in classifications (1), (2) or (3).
- (5) VOLUNTARY FAMILY MEMBER: Refers to persons voluntarily segregated to Tule Lake who were members of the immediate family of persons in classifications (1), (2), (3) or (4) but who themselves did not fall in any of these classifications.
- (6) OTHER AUTHORIZED RESIDENTS: Refers to internees' families, medical cases, etc. at Tule Lake prior to segregation who were permitted to remain pending transfer to internment camps, relocation centers, etc.
- (7) UNAUTHORIZED RESIDENTS: Refers to original Tule Lake residents not falling into classifications (1) through (6) who remained at Tule Lake after December 13, 1943. Approximately 1,100 Tule Lake residents were included in this classification originally; all except 34 subsequently have been classified into one of the 6 authorized classifications, or transferred to other centers.

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Rose

February 1, 1946

Dear Evelyn:

Fern told me that she had wired you about the tables we needed. The prompt and complete response received from Mr. Stauber shows how effective you are as a one-woman pressure group!

My deepest appreciation, as always.

Sincerely yours,

wra

February 1, 1946

Mr. B. R. Stauber, Chief
Relocation Planning Division
War Relocation Authority
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Stauber:

I can't tell you how deeply I appreciate your letters of January 21 and January 29 and the enclosures, which are so important in clearing up the problems I am facing now. Your cordial cooperation throughout the Study has been a matter of deep gratification to all of us here.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

February 19, 1946

Mr. B.R. Stauber, Chief
Relocation Planning Division
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Stauber:

We have dispatched today, by Southern Pacific freight, two wooden boxes containing Minidoka form 26's. We hope they arrive in good condition.

Thank you very much for making this material available to us, and for your courtesy and cooperation in the past.

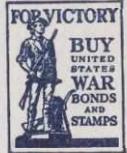
Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

cc. Mrs. Fern French

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON



March 13, 1946

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
Evacuation and Resettlement Study
Giannini Foundation, Giannini Hall
University of California
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

In response to Mr. M. M. Tozier's letter asking for information concerning Joe Kurihara, Miss Rosalie Hankey referred us to you. If you are willing to release certain materials for our use, Miss Hankey tells us she will be glad to give us what help she can.

We believe that the dramatic story of Joe Kurihara's experiences, which led up to his renunciation of the citizenship which he had previously valued, would be both interesting and informative as one of several subject reports we hope to have published as a part of the formal documentation of the WRA program.

Dr. Edward H. Spicer tells us that your study has produced a great deal of excellent material which would be valuable in the preparation of this story. Our particular need is for material about Joe's stay in Tule Lake, his attitudes while there toward his decision to go to Japan and toward other residents at the center. If it is available, facts concerning his pre-evacuation life would also be useful.

As soon as we hear from you, we will advise Miss Hankey of your decision. Thank you for whatever consideration you can give to this request.

Very sincerely,

Chas. R. Lynn

Chas. R. Lynn
Acting Chief, Reports Division

March 19, 1946

AIR MAIL

Mr. Charles R. Lynn
U. S. Department of the Interior
War Relocation Authority
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lynn:

I have your letter of March 13. We do have a rather bulky file on Joe Kurihara, including his life history which he prepared for me just before leaving for Japan. Unfortunately however, I have not had the material copied and am at present using it. The first volume of our study has just gone to the press but I have still to prepare the introduction and appendix. In the appendix we are giving some short life histories of the evacuee leaders included in this first volume. Among them is Joe Kurihara. As soon as this appendix is prepared I can let you see what we have done and perhaps that will suggest further questions to you.

Kurihara, incidentally, insists that we use his actual name rather than a pseudonym, as you will see from the enclosed copy of a letter dated October 19, 1945. You realize, of course, that Kurihara is a very disturbed person and that some of his acts and attitudes verge on the abnormal. I feel, therefore, that in spite of his insistence on having his name and all of his documents used that we should try to protect him. You may be interested to know that he wrote Mr. Besig and told him that no steps whatsoever should be taken to cancel his renunciation of citizenship.

Very sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

P. S.

I am also enclosing a copy of a letter I received from Kurihara on November 7, 1945.

Encl: 2.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

March 26, 1946

Dr. D.S.Thomas

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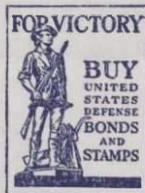
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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Hees —

You will prob. see this but just in case here is a copy.

Will discover that the segregation summary will have many limitations in use — but it still seems like a worth while record to keep.



Understand your first volume is

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

at the press. When can
we order a copy?

Best wishes to you
and the rest.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

In reply, please refer to:

620 East Sola Street
Santa Barbara, California

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, OFFICE
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March 31, 1946

Dr. Dorothy Swing Thomas
Gianini Foundation
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Dr. E. R. Hilgard of Stanford University told me that you had made some studies of attitudes of some of the Japanese-Americans at Tule Lake who had renounced their citizenship. Since I am formulating a problem for a dissertation using some of these and other Japanese-Americans as subjects I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to study your data.

I am at present Acting District Relocation Officer for the W. R. A. in Santa Barbara, but our office will close in thirty days, and I plan to write my dissertation next. I have been with the W.R.A. as high school principal since August 1942 and I hope to investigate the results of some of our educational efforts as revealed in the attitudes of some of the relocatees. The schools made a coordinated effort to promote relocation, approaching the problem in several different ways and I am interested in appraising the results of that effort.

I would greatly appreciate any help that you can give me.

Very sincerely,

Jerome T. Light

Jerome T. Light



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

In reply, please refer to:

1031 South Broadway
Los Angeles 15, California

April 4, 1946

Dr. Dorothy Thomas
University of California
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

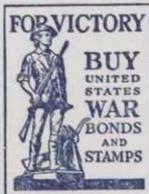
When I was in San Francisco in late February, I spent a swell evening with Dick Nishimoto and had a very brief chat with Jim Sakoda. I am sorry that I was unable to meet you. I am going to try again.

I shall be in Berkeley 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, April 15. Will you be at the University that day? If so, would you have time to visit with me for a little while? Will you be good enough to drop me a line telling me if and when I might see you.

Sincerely,

A. T. Hansen

A. T. Hansen



April 5, 1946

Mr. Charles R. Lynn
Acting Chief, Reports Division
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Lynn:

I am enclosing a copy of our write-up of Kurihara, which will appear in the Appendix of our first volume. This volume has now gone to press, and if you wish to quote from our document will you kindly write the University of California Press (Mr. S.T. Farquhar, manager) for permission, which I am sure will be granted.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

Enclosure

April 8, 1946

Mr. Jerome T. Light
620 East Sola Street
Santa Barbara, California

Dear Mr. Light:

In reply to your letter of March 31, our first volume on the Japanese American Evacuation is now in the press and should be available shortly. Otherwise our data are not yet being made available to anyone outside the staff because of agreements we have made with a number of agencies and individuals.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

April 8, 1946

Dr. A. T. Hansen
Department of the Interior
War Relocation Authority
1031 South Broadway
Los Angeles 15, California

Dear Dr. Hansen:

As far as I know I shall be in the office
on Monday, April 15. The safest time to make an
appointment would be in the afternoon around 2:30.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
WASHINGTON



April 11, 1946

Dr. Dorothy Swaine Thomas
University of California
207 Giannini Hall
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Thank you very much for the Joe Kurihara material. You may be assured that we will not quote from this document without formal permission of the manager of the University of California Press.

Sincerely,

Chas. R. Lynn

Chas. R. Lynn
Acting Chief, Reports Division

April 12, 1946

Dear Fern:

I certainly appreciate your sending me the carbons of the letters referring to negotiations with the Library here. It is indeed good to know that the Form 26's are on their way. I assume that we will have to wait some little time yet before we get the important IBM cards. Any information that you can give me about the progress in this matter will be greatly appreciated. I know how busy you are, but I should certainly like to know something about WRA plans for bringing out the massive statistics which you must have by now accumulated and analyzed.

Are your plans settled yet for the post-July period? We certainly hope your new job, whatever it is, will bring you into this area.

Everyone here sends regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Swaine Thomas