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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
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FIELD BULLETIN, St. Louis District

December 15, 1944

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

An open community invitation is extended for the metropolitan St. Louis area. The remainder of eastern Missouri is restricted to an advance approval plan.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

While St. Louis is not a critical labor area, there are still numerous opportunities available for both Issei and Nisei in both skilled and unskilled lines of work. This current summary is indicative of the work opportunities here.

In addition to receiving the cooperation of the USES and the WRA in securing employment, we have recently opened a new community resource. The Jewish Employment Service has expressed a willingness to cooperate with us, and recently aided us in placing a Nisei girl in a bookkeeping position.

Jobs Open for Issei or Nisei

COOK Issei desired	For Catholic Convent - to assist Sisters with cooking. Salary \$60.00 per month with maintenance. Housing Accommodations provided at Seminary with another Issei family.
LEATHER WORKERS Issei acceptable	Two men to do leather tooling and general saddle making and repairing. 60¢ to \$1.00 per hour - time and one-half after 40 hours with advancement according to ability. Permanent work.
GARDENER, YARD- MAN, HOUSEMAN Issei requested	To take care of garden, wash autos, take care of basement and furnace and wash windows in a household of three adults. Salary offered \$30.00 per week. Housing not available in home.
MACHINIST Issei acceptable	One for work in chain manufacturing firm. Salary \$1.00 per hour. Can advance to \$1.20 per hour. Overtime after 40 hrs. Can offer some post-war security on position.
NURSERY WORKERS	For general nursery work. Living accommodations provided. Salary 50¢ per hour to start with raises until maximum of 65¢ per hour is secured. Some Nisei already employed. Good opportunity for Trial Indefinite Leave. One Issei already employed by this firm.

ORDER FILERS
Issei acceptable

Two to fill orders in chain manufacturing firm. Salary 60¢ for first three months after which will increase to 70¢. Overtime after 40 hours.

PAINT SPRAYER
Issei acceptable

Spray base or primer coats on art figurines. Experienced preferred or will train. Salary 50¢ per hour for inexperienced, gradually increasing to 65¢. Work week 50 hours - overtime after 40 hours.

For Family Relocation - Housing Furnished

FLORIST HELPER
Farmington, Mo.
Issei wanted

General greenhouse work - six days per week and every other Sunday. Housing provided in six room farm house. No modern conveniences in house. Will accept family and permit wife to work in greenhouse also.

FARMER
Farmington, Mo.
Issei wanted

General farm work. Must be able to operate tractor and drive truck. Salary \$20.00 per week with housing provided in six room farm house. No modern conveniences in house, however. Will furnish garden, cow, and wood for fuel. Can raise chickens if desired. Will accept couple with children.

FARMER
Chesterfield, Mo.
Issei wanted

Desire couple without children. Man will care for family vegetable garden and 200 fruit trees - woman will care for four room house and cook two meals daily. Salary \$60.00 per month with own bedroom and kitchen. Employer will finance couple if they wish to have their own chickens or livestock.

FARMER
St. Louis Co., Mo.
Issei wanted

Desire couple without children. Man to care for stock, 30 acres of pasture and 104 acres of vegetable garden. Woman to assist in home. Salary \$75.00 per month for couple. Private housing provided.

FARMER
McBaine, Mo.
Issei wanted

To plant and tend vegetable garden, milk cows and do general chores around farm. Salary \$75.00 per month with four room house provided, partially furnished. Will accept couple with children. There is a school nearby.

Jobs for Men - Nisei

FACTORY WORKERS

At flour mill, packaging flour and lease-lend soup. Can use five to seven men. Salary 70¢ per hour to start with overtime after 40 hours.

FACTORY WORKERS

2 to make auto springs. Must be somewhat mechanically inclined. Salary 80¢ per hour plus overtime.

MAINTENANCE BOY

To do general maintenance work such as washing windows, servicing work, etc. Salary \$30.00 per week for 48 hour week.

RADIO SERVICE MAN	Man experienced in radio work. Will furnish tools. Good working conditions. \$40.00 per week.
SWIMMING DIRECTOR	For recreational institution. Must be a qualified swimming teacher and life guard. Salary \$125.00 to \$175.00 per month. Need at once.
WAREHOUSEMEN	Two men for retail furniture store work. Consists of lifting and moving furniture varying in weight up to 100 pounds. Salary to start \$33.00 per week. Work week six days - eight hours per day.

Jobs for Women

COMMERCIAL ARTIST	One to paint statuary with knowledge of mixing colors and handling of spray gun and brush. Salary 70¢ to \$1.00 per hour, depending on experience. Overtime after 40 hours.
COMMERCIAL ARTIST	Two to paint figurines by hand and with air brush. Will train girl interested in this kind of work. Inexperienced girls can earn about \$30.00 per week. Experienced up to \$175.00 per month.
FACTORY WORKERS	Two crews - 5 each - to package flour in a flour mill. Salary 50¢ per hour to be raised to 55¢ at end of 30 days. Two girls of crew will be raised to 60¢. 40 hour week with at least 8 hours overtime.
STENOGRAPHER	One with large stationery house. Work consists of dictation, transcribing, typing credit memos and some clerical work. Salary \$85.00 per month.
STENOGRAPHERS	War plant - \$25.00 per week for junior steno - \$32.00 per week for senior steno. Employees upgraded every three months. Plant investigation necessary.
SEAMSTRESS	To assemble first models of dresses in manufacturing firm. \$19.00 per week to start.
TYPISTS	Two with large stationery house. Typing shipping tickets and doing some clerical work. Salary \$70.00 per month for 40 hours.

Domestic

We have almost every type of domestic position available including room and board jobs, school girl jobs, full time singles, couples, etc. Full time domestic jobs for girls pay up to \$20.00 per week plus complete maintenance and couples from \$125.00 to \$150.00 per month. Either Issei or Nisei are acceptable - some families prefer Issei.

III. HOUSING

Temporary housing is always available at prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per day. Small furnished apartments may be secured without too much difficulty for from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per week, depending on the size. Larger furnished apartments are difficult to find and usually range in price from \$60.00 up. Unfurnished flats and apartments are easier to secure and rent for \$30.00 to \$50.00, depending on the size and the location. All relocatees may be assured, however, that some type of housing will be available on their arrival in St. Louis.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
202 City National Bank Building
Omaha, 2, Nebraska

FIELD BULLETIN, Omaha District

December 15, 1944

William K. Holland, Relocation Officer

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

<u>Community</u>	<u>Person to Contact</u>
Omaha, Nebraska - - - - -	War Relocation Authority
Lincoln, Nebraska - - - - -	Reverend Robert Drew, 1417 R Street
Kearney, Nebraska - - - - -	Rev. Wm. D. Eckel, 217 E. 30th Street
Holdrege, Nebraska - - - - -	Mr. W. R. Batie
Lexington, Nebraska - - - - -	Reverend Charles W. Shedd
Cozad, Nebraska - - - - -	Nr. Noel Cover

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

There is a wide variety of job offers for skilled and semi-skilled workers as well as common laborers, hotel and restaurant workers, gardeners, and domestics in the entire Omaha district. Practically the entire area is open on community invitation.

We submit the following offers:

JOBS FOR MEN

CARPENTERS Nisei only	\$1.25 per hour, 70-hour week, 10-hour day. Board and room at \$2.00 per day four miles from place of employment. Transportation will be furnished to and from work. Individuals will be paid for travelling time. AFL union. Time and a half overtime. Workers should contact WRA office before leaving Center to accept job. Grand Island, Nebraska.
BRICK LAYERS Nisei only	Salary \$1.75 $\frac{1}{2}$ per hour; 70-hour week; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ overtime; 10-hour day. Board and room at \$2.00 per day four miles from place of employment available. Transportation furnished to and from work, and the union affiliation is with the AFL. Workers should contact WRA office before leaving Center to accept job. Grand Island, Nebraska.

BREAKFAST COOK Issei acceptable	Salary \$60 per week plus meals. Adequate housing, furnished or unfurnished, available. Chamberlain, South Dakota.
WELDERS Nisei only	Salary 70¢ to 90¢ per hour; time and half overtime; 55 to 60 hours per week. Omaha, Nebraska
MACHINIST Nisei only	Salary 95¢ to \$1.10 per hour with time and half. Omaha, Nebraska.
LABORERS Nisei only	Six workers needed for large smelting and refining company doing general plant work. Salary 73 3/4¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Average work week 48 hours with possibility of increase in overtime work. Contract work available unloading cars, etc., with opportunity to make as much as \$1.00 per hour. Omaha, Nebraska
WELDERS AND LABORERS	Several men needed for vital war work at a salary of 65¢ per hour. Transportation will be refunded after 60 days' continuous employment. Good chances for advancement and post-war opportunity. Nisei now employed. Omaha, Nebraska.
PHOTOGRAPHERS Issei acceptable	Two openings for commercial and portrait printing and enlarging, Omaha, Nebraska. Salary \$135 per month. Must be efficient and experienced. Will take apprentice at lower salary. Position permanent. Omaha, Nebraska.
SHEEP RANCH WORKERS Issei preferred	Sheep ranch in western part of the Omaha district will employ 50 Issei bachelors not over 55 years of age. Approximately 30 evacuees now employed on farm of the owner of this ranch. A speaking knowledge of English is not required. Citizens are accepted only if they have had farm experience.
FRUIT AND VEGETABLE WHOLESALE Nisei only	Workers in fruit and vegetable wholesale company. Salary 60¢ per hour plus time and a half over 40 hours. Nisei now employed averaging \$175 per month. Room available in residence of Nisei employed in the city. Grand Island, Nebraska.
BENCH AND GREENHOUSE WORKER Issei preferred	Opportunity for Issei or Nisei capable of bench work and handling greenhouse flowers. Starting salary \$25 per week; raise to \$50 within 20 days if capable. There is an option to buy the greenhouse business which includes five acres. The sale price is \$15,000.
DAIRY WORKERS Issei preferred	Dairy worker in large retail dairy. Work in pasteurizing department and general duties connected with firm. Salary \$120 to start per month. Guaranteed raise of \$10 per month for two months. Capable persons have opportunity for advancement.
FRUIT AND VEGETABLE WHOLESALE Issei capable	A wholesale fruit and vegetable firm in Omaha wishes to secure two men at once who have had experience in packing houses. This is a large, well-established, reputable firm. Working conditions are very good. The rate of pay is 58¢ per hour, overtime over 40 hours. This is permanent work which the end of the war would not terminate.

MEAT PACKING HOUSE WORKERS
Issei preferred
Meat packing companies in Omaha are especially in need of laborers for the winter run of livestock which will soon be starting. Several Issei have been working with the packing company for years. There are many departments in which laborers are needed. The starting salary is 70¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hours. Double time is paid on the seventh consecutive day worked.

WATCH REPAIRMEN
Opening for two men. Several Nisei and two Kibeis have worked for this firm. Working conditions are very good. Evacuees who have been employed were averaging around \$75 per week net. Tools needed. Omaha, Nebraska

HOTEL WORKERS
Issei preferred
There are numerous hotel positions open to Issei as cooks; salaries average \$40 per week and up with meals.

YARDMAN
Issei preferred
Elderly gentleman as yardman and some catering to care for two acre yard and a few chickens. Some domestic work when time permits. Room in owner's home plus food and laundry. Salary \$45 during winter months and \$60 during summer. Salary increase to right person. Permanent position.

GARDENERS AND CARETAKERS
Issei acceptable
Three men needed immediately for work in keeping up cemetery lawn, shrubbery, flowers, etc. Permanent year around employment. Salary 60¢ to 65¢ per hour for 48 hour week. Sentiment is very good.

GARDENERS AND CARETAKERS
Issei acceptable
Three caretakers for golf course. Salary \$100 net per month for an eight or nine-month period out of the year. During the months of December, January, February, and March, workers may take outside employment and live in the houses provided by the golf club without rental costs. Golf club will furnish one two-room house, modern except bath; and one seven-room house arranged into two apartments, modern except bath. Will also furnish utilities. There is an opportunity for the wife, if positions accepted by married couples, to work in the club house doing kitchen and counter work.

JOBS FOR WOMEN

POWER-MACHINE OPERATORS
Issei acceptable
Apprentice as well as experienced women wanted. Piece work basis but guarantee of 45¢ first eighty hours, 47½¢ second 80 hours, and 50¢ per hour thereafter. Experienced operator can average \$7.00 per day. Firm has navy contract. Omaha.

ALTERATIONISTS
Issei acceptable
Women's clothing store will accept Nisei or Issei. Salary \$22.50 per week. Omaha, Nebraska

ASSEMBLY-LINE WORKERS
Guarantee of 40¢ per hour. Average from 45¢ to 63¢ per hour. After two weeks, employees to be paid by piece work. Time and a half over 40 hours. 52-hours per week.

DOMESTIC

DOMESTIC COUPLE
Issei acceptable

Couple desired by medical fraternity in Omaha; wife to do domestic work, and the man will assist with heavy household duties and do general yard work. Wife would have complete charge of the kitchen, planning meals and ordering of food supplies. Salary \$180 per month for the couple. Modern living quarters furnished. No objection to one or two children.

III. HOUSING

The housing situation has been alleviated somewhat in that we have been receiving calls at the WRA office from Caucasian homes which wish single men. The Salvation Army can arrange temporary housing for any family coming to Omaha.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
1510 Fidelity Building
Kansas City, 6, Missouri

FIELD BULLETIN, Kansas City District

December 15, 1944

Mr. Francis P. O'Malley, Relocation Officer

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

To evacuees and in particular to residents of our relocation centers we extend season's greetings and a community invitation to relocate within the metropolitan area of Greater Kansas City. The entire state of Kansas and the remaining western half of Missouri is open on the advanced approval plan.

II. SOCIAL SERVICE COUNSELING

We are pleased to announce that we have just worked out a plan whereby evacuees coming to Kansas City or those already domiciled here may avail themselves of the counseling facilities of the State Social Security Commission, seek and obtain expert advice and or assistance on all matters pertinent to their general welfare. Those desiring this service or assistance are asked to let this office arrange for an appointment.

III. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

There continues to be a great demand for help in all categories of employment. The United States Employment Service has informed us that they could readily place Issei or Nisei in almost any conceivable line of endeavor. We have also observed recently in contacting potential employers that for the most part they are very receptive to employing evacuees. In our judgment this is traceable to two factors. First, good workmen attract the attention of their employers and for the most part this is characteristic of the evacuee. Second, the accomplishments of the Nisei soldiers which have been publicized on the screen, by radio, and the printed word has done much to overcome prejudices. Now is the opportune time to obtain employment and establish a good work record which will assure post-war employment.

Jobs for Men

ALUMINUM FACTORY WORK
Issei acceptable

A national aluminum company will employ 30 evacuees at their Kansas City plant. Applicants should weigh 150 lbs. or more, and be able to pass a physical examination. Starting wage is 75¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Minimum work week 52 hours. Interested Nisei should complete PSQ Form 58, aliens should complete Form WD-PMGO 301. Two Niseis now employed.

AUTO MECHANICS Issei acceptable	\$45 to \$65 per week. Automobile mechanical experience necessary. Company will furnish tools.
BALING PRESS OPERATORS	Three men to operate baling press and general labor. Will be trained. Average 8 to 9 hours a day for 6 days, time and half over 40 hours. 8 to 14 hours overtime weekly. Hourly pay is 60¢. A.F. of L. closed shop. Firm manufactures wiping cloths.
COOK Issei preferred	Fry and dinner cook in cafe owned by a Japanese who has lived in Mid-West for a number of years. \$35 per week plus meals and uniform, raise to \$50 if capable. Six days per week, 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. shift, also day shift if so desired. Independence, Missouri, located 10 miles east of Kansas City.
DENTAL TECHNICIANS Issei acceptable	60¢ to over \$1.00 per hour depending upon skill. Construct dentures, bridges and all types of prosthetic work. Three Niseis, dental technicians, now receiving top wages.
DRAFTSMAN Issei acceptable	For expanding engineering company designing tools. Manager has employed Nisei before. This is essential work subcontracting and designing for war industries. 80¢ an hour to start, time and a half over 40 hours.
FACTORY WORKERS Issei preferred	A well-known manufacturer of corn products will employ more men. Work consists of loading and unloading manufactured supplies of finished products, operating simple production equipment such as conveyors, pumps, motors, etc. Starting wage from 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per hour with rapid advances depending on ability. Overtime after 8 hours per day and 40 hours per week. Open shop basis with CIO affiliations. Five evacuees now employed.
FACTORY WORKERS Issei preferred	Paper box manufacturer wants men as laborers. 70¢ an hour, 52 hour week, time and a half over 40 hours. 5¢ an hour more for working night shift. An Issei and Nisei now employed.
FACTORY WORKERS Issei wanted	Issei and Nisei men wanted by nationally known firm manufacturing corrugated paper containers. Essential job. Start at 66¢ hour. Piece rate pays about \$1.25 an hour. Ten Issei and Niseis now employed. Non-union.
GREENHOUSE WORKER Issei preferred	Elderly Issei man or couple to help grow mushrooms. 60¢ an hour, 53 hour week. Living accommodations available four-room house which is furnished with electricity, oil heating stove, and other conveniences. Year round work. Nisei now employed.
HOUSEMAN AND CHAUFFEUR Issei preferred	Combined duties of houseman and chauffeur. \$35 per week plus room and board.
LENS GRINDER Issei acceptable	50¢ to 80¢ per hour. Do multiple grinding, polishing, and blocking of lenses. Time and a half over 40 hours. Issei now employed.

LIGHT FACTORY Issei preferred	Three men to do light factory work which consists of covering and lining cases. Also to do mill work and operate wood working machine. Permanent employment. Starting wage 50¢ to 60¢ per hour depending on experience and aptitude. Time and a half over 40 hours. Nisei now employed.
LINOTYPE OPERATOR Issei acceptable.	80¢ an hour to start. Time and a half over 40 hours.
PACKING HOUSE WORKERS Issei preferred	Large meat packing company needs workers in the beef killing, sheep and calf killing, animal feed and hide cellar departments. 70¢ an hour, plus time and half over 40 hours. Average work week, 53 hours.
MILL WORK Issei acceptable	Manufacture animal feed. 65¢ per hour first two weeks, will raise to 70¢ thereafter. Time and a half after 40 hours. 50 to 60 hours per week.
SHOE REPAIRMAN Issei preferred	More cobblers are wanted in shops in Kansas City. Average earnings about \$45 a week. CIO union. Five Issei and Niseis now employed.
WAITERS Issei wanted	Room and board, \$40 month plus tips. Average monthly earnings from \$150 to \$200 month. One day off per week. Employer gives party once a month for employees at his expense.
TIRE REPAIRMEN AND RECAPPER Issei acceptable	A large tire and auto accessory company will employ two tire repairmen at a starting wage of 60¢ to 65¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Will also employ experienced recappers, car washers, polishers, and grease men. A person's willingness to learn will be a decided factor in warranting promotions. A Nisei girl works in the home of the manager of this tire company and she reports a very favorable employer-employee relationship.
AUTO MECHANIC Issei acceptable	One of Kansas City's large dairies will employ two men to service and clean their delivery trucks. The hours of work are from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with one day off per week, starting wage 70¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. If you are mechanically minded and looking for experience this job offers an excellent opportunity. This job is open to Isseis.

Jobs for Women

CLERKS AND TYPISTS	Several firms are in need of clerk-typists with starting salaries from \$80 to \$125 per month depending on one's experience and ability.
FACTORY WORK	Girls to work in paper box factory. 50¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Several Nisei boys employed in same factory.
LIGHT FACTORY WORK	25 girls wanted to cover and line luggage. 50¢ to 60¢ an hour depending on experience.
REGISTERED NURSES	8 hour day shift. Uniforms and meals furnished.

General Work Opportunities

A number of contacts have been made with employers who have expressed an interest in securing evacuee help from the first of the year. Included in the various types of anticipated job offers are floral designers, greenhouse workers, stock clerks, experienced power machine operators, and Issei bachelors to work on construction and maintenance crews of a public transportation company. Large manufacturing firms who have employed evacuees in the past are continuing their requests for additional help.

Domestic Opportunities (Issei acceptable)

Within the last month, at least seven girls were placed in domestic positions in Kansas City. Part-time domestic work offers an unusual opportunity to enable working girls to save virtually all of their earnings. Light household chores in the evening is the only requirement, in exchange for which the worker receives room and board, and often carfare and pin money. Those working on this basis are able to eliminate a large part of their living costs, and more and more girls are seeking this type of arrangement. Several high school students are also employed part time in homes. As a rule, they receive about \$5.00 per week plus carfare in addition to room and board. Many similar positions are still available. Full-time positions for single girls and couples are submitted to this office continuously. Girls usually receive \$15.00 per week if inexperienced and \$18.00 to \$25.00 per week to start if experienced. Duties may include cooking, housecleaning, some laundry, or care of children. Couples are offered \$125 to \$175 per month. A couple was recently offered \$200 per month. The wife is usually expected to cook while the husband does outdoor and heavier work. In some instances, it is possible for a couple with a child to work in a home where the husband may work elsewhere but live with his family.

A long established home for the aged now housed in very modern quarters would like to employ a couple as a cook and cook's helper. This position also offers fine living quarters plus meals. Starting salary of \$175 per month for the couple with one day off per week. Will have to prepare meals for approximately 100 people.

IV. HOUSING

The housing situation in Kansas City has eased to some extent. Last week the War Housing Center offered us four newly re-decorated apartments under their public conversion program. We were unable to find any takers at the time. These apartments are made available to those employed in essential war work. The majority of jobs available come within this classification.

The YMCA and moderate priced hotels are always available.

Some evacuees have answered newspaper ads and have obtained quarters where both board and room can be had for as little as \$9.00 per week.

Single girls may stay at the National Training School for girls where board and room in a pleasant atmosphere is provided at a very nominal cost. Some Nisei and Issei who have either rented or purchased large homes also offer accomodation which can be had at a reasonable cost. It may take a little time but we still believe we can find housing for we have several good contacts.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
520 Liberty Building
Des Moines 8, Iowa

FIELD BULLETIN, Des Moines District

December 15, 1944

Frank E. Gibbs, Relocation Officer

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

The entire State of Iowa with the exception of Fremont and Page Counties and possibly in the vicinity of Muscatine is open for community invitation to anyone who wishes to resettle.

Names of committee chairmen in Iowa are as follows:

Robert Root, 101 51st St., Des Moines, Iowa
John M. Ely, 414 Guaranty Building, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
J. P. Salz, 112 Franklin Street and
Leif Schreiner, War Manpower Commission Office, Waterloo, Iowa
Joe Bransby, General Secretary, Y.M.C.A., Davenport, Iowa.
Rev. Chas. S. Hempstead, 1141 Main St., Dubuque, Iowa.

In a number of other cities formal committees have not been organized but interested individuals are listed who will give assistance to any evacuee who calls upon them for information or aid.

Spencer, Iowa.	Miss Velma Baker, Secty, War Activities Committee
Clinton, Iowa.	Mr. Fulmer, Y.M.C.A.
Muscatine, Iowa.	Rev. Guy Hunting, 407 Van Horn St., Rev. Judson T. Perkins, 1005 Oregon St.
Ames, Iowa.	Mr. and Mrs. Edw. S. Allen, 509 Welch Ave.
Hampton, Iowa.	R. R. Stuart
Pocahontas, Iowa.	Max Navlor, County Extension Director
New Hampton, Iowa.	Miss Gretchen Garst
Sioux City, Iowa.	Miss Mary Treglis, Exec. Secty., Community House.
Marshalltown, Iowa.	Rev. B. T. Trickey, Congregational Church
Fort Dodge, Iowa.	Mr. George R. D. Kramer Mr. Floyd D. Huling, County Ext. Director
Newton, Iowa.	Mrs. Nell Tyler, 739 1st Ave. East
Keosauqua, Iowa.	Joe Stong, County Attorney
Burlington, Iowa.	Miss Sarah McCreary, Secretary, Y.W.C.A.
Iowa City, Iowa.	Rev. Victor Goff, Asst. Pastor, First Metho- dist Church
Estherville, Iowa.	M. A. Balkema, County Extension Director
Storm Lake, Iowa.	Miss Chloe Sargent, County Director of Social Welfare
Ottumwa, Iowa.	R. E. Zeigler, Secretary, Y.M.C.A.

As a general rule, we find it advisable for evacuees coming into the state to come by way of Des Moines where they can have temporary accommodations at the Hostel.

We also find that most railroad connections are made through Des Moines, so it is not out of their way to make a stop-over hereafter a day or so.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

There has been a reduction in the number of new opportunities for employment during the past month. The coming of winter and colder weather has retarded construction work and other outside employment opportunities. On the other hand, the opportunities for inside employment are about as numerous as they have been previously. In the past month the Des Moines Ordnance Plant has had an increase in contracts and has doubled employment from 8,000 to 16,000 workers. Although the ordnance plant has not employed Japanese Americans, the drain of other employees from established industries in Des Moines has opened up opportunities for evacuees. The employment that is made available in this manner is of a more permanent nature, although in many instances it is on a lower wage level. It also affords a family more security and in many instances better opportunities for advancement. U.S.E.S. in Des Moines shows close to 1,000 openings in the immediate area. They are very willing to refer Japanese Americans providing they meet the qualifications for the job.

In Burlington we have an opportunity for a number of hotel workers. A hotel system owns three hotels as well as a large garage, laundry and a 15-acre vegetable farm. They have had seven or eight Japanese Americans working for them including a family group. During the past month they bought a large two-story home and have completely furnished it so that immediate quarters are available for evacuees interested in this type of employment. A family of four now occupies the first floor and the entire upstairs is ready for occupancy for either a family group of six people, or it can be easily converted into two apartments for two families of three each. For single individuals, the hotel will provide good board and room in one of their hotels. Since the hotel has a variation of employment, they are in a position to permit the individual to work in various capacities until he finds the type of job that he likes. We have met at various times with the owner and the manager of this hotel system and we find that they are very interested in the Japanese Americans and will give them every opportunity possible to make good. The family now employed by them are very eager to have some other family live in the same home and would also recommend the employer very highly.

Although a formal Relocation Committee has not been organized in Burlington, we have the cooperation of the Ministerial Association, the secretaries of the Y's, schools, U.S.E.S. and numerous other individuals. The interest of certain individuals in the city was exemplified last week when an elderly Issei passed away after being in the city one month. The hotel owner made every attempt possible to locate any relatives or close friends that he had in this country. When he failed to locate them he went ahead and made all arrangements for funeral services and cremation of the deceased and made up the deficit in funds so that public assistance was not necessary to meet any of this expenditure. He also noted that a young Nisei was playing regularly in the city basketball league and that members of the Ministerial Association have made personal calls on the various evacuees extending invitations to them to participate in church meetings and social affairs.

It now appears that there will be numerous farm labor opportunities for family groups starting the latter part of February until April 1st. Work will consist of general farm work on stock and grain farms. Housing is provided for family groups and in

most instances is equipped with electricity but will not always have running water. Usual pay for this type of labor is \$100. per month with additional food commodities, such as meat, milk, eggs and garden produce. Family groups who are interested in this type of work may write directly to our office and we will arrange for placement so that they may report to work sometime during March.

Family Relocation Opportunities - Housing Furnished

GENERAL FARM WORK
Issei acceptable

A farmer in the northwest section of Iowa is willing to pay the "going" wage to a Japanese American farm family who will assist him with the work on his 300 A. farm. Housing facilities are such that the family could have two or three children.

DAIRY AND GENERAL
FARM WORK
Issei acceptable

Another farmer in north central Iowa wishes to employ a Japanese American family. The employee would have charge of a Jersey dairy herd of from 12 to 14 cows. Milking would be done by hand. There would also be general farm work and care of hogs, etc. The wage would be \$24, weekly plus housing and usual farm commodities including fuel and electricity.

FARM COUPLE
Issei acceptable

A county farm manager will pay \$125. per month to a Japanese American couple--the man to work on the farm and the woman to work inside the home. Complete maintenance will be provided in addition to the monthly wage.

THREE FARM FAMILIES
Issei preferred

In Jones County there are three farmers who are interested in securing Japanese American farm families to assist them with general farm work. The wage in all three instances is \$100. per month plus housing and certain farm commodities. These three farms are all located within a short distance of each other and would mean the families would be within "visiting distance" of each other.

Jobs for Men

PORTER IN NIGHT CLUB
Issei acceptable

This club has employed Japanese Americans in the past and now has a Japanese American chef. Employee will have the responsibility of one section of the club which is known as the bar. Hours from 4:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Employee would work alone and easily complete duties without working rapidly. \$35 per week, Monday off. A good opportunity for an older person since he is not pressed for time and it is not necessary that he be able to speak English. When there is assurance that the person is capable of doing the work and will remain with the employer for any length of time, he will raise the wages to \$40. per week.

STOCK CLERK

A Des Moines Department Store is interested in employing a Nisei in the Receiving Department. Work would be to check items and keep simple records. Starting wage would be \$22.50 per week or \$97. per month. There is a good opportunity for advancement for anyone who is interested in department store work.

AUTO MECHANIC Issei acceptable	\$25 per week to start and raise to \$30 if satisfactory. Help repair trucks, wash and grease cars. No experience necessary as employer expects to train. Waterloo, Ia.
CLOTHES PRESSER Issei desired	65¢ per hour. Press clothes on steam press machine. No experience necessary. Waterloo, Iowa.
FISH MARKET Issei desired	50¢ an hour. General work in fish market. No experience necessary. Des Moines, Iowa.
FOUNDRY WORKERS Issei acceptable	Start at 70¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hrs. As soon as ability is shown will be raised to 75¢ an hour. No experience necessary as men will be trained. Waterloo, Iowa.
LABORERS Issei Bachelors acceptable	65¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Handle cement, set up pipe forms, and general work in casting pipe, loading trucks and cars. Openings for three men. If men can qualify for pipe machine operator, wage is 80¢ per hour. Waterloo, Iowa.
GENERAL FACTORY Issei acceptable	Pickle factory needs one full time and one part time gen- eral factory worker. Experience not required. \$30 for 5½ day week. Time and a half for over 40 hours. Des Moines.
LAUNDRY MAN Issei desired	For work in hospital. \$125 per month plus noon meal. No experience necessary but should be energetic and like this type of work. Sioux City, Iowa.
LUBRICATION MAN Issei acceptable	\$165 to \$168 per month plus time and a half over 40 hours and a bonus at the end of year which averages 10% of sal- ary. Should understand lubrication of various cars and some trucks. Most of the lubrication work will be done on passenger cars.
PRESSERS Issei wanted	Pressing in dry cleaning shop. 66¢ an hour and raise to 71¢ an hour after 3 months. No experience necessary as will train pressing operation. Des Moines, Iowa.
TIRE MAN Issei acceptable	\$165 to \$168 per month plus time and a half over 40 hours and a bonus at end of year which averages 10% of salary. Should understand tire repair and recapping. Waterloo, Ia.
WAREHOUSE WORKER Issei acceptable	Work for wholesale paper jobber. 61¢ per hour. Fairly heavy duties so employee should weigh around 135# to 150#. Permanent position with post war possibilities. Des Moines.

Jobs for Women

DIET KITCHEN WORKER Issei preferred	\$60 per month plus meals. Assist with different duties in diet kitchen of hospital. Another Issei woman now employed in same department. Des Moines, Iowa.
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PHARMACIST'S ASSISTANT	Girl to aid a registered pharmacist. \$60 to \$65 per month plus meals. 8 hours per day, 6 days per week. Sioux City, Iowa.
LAUNDRY WOMAN	Woman to assist in laundry and mangle room. \$75 per month and meals while on duty. Sioux City, Iowa.
PLAIN COOK	\$75 per month plus meals. Duties would be to prepare a night meal for approximately 25 employees. Hours of work from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Sioux City, Iowa.
TYPIST	Typing and detail work for transportation company. Salary arranged. 44 hour week. Nisei girl now employed part-time. Des Moines, Iowa.

III. HOUSING

The Housing Committee in Des Moines is well organized so they can handle practically any number of family units and provide suitable housing for them. Rents for furnished apartments and furnished houses run from \$40 to \$60 and for unfurnished homes from \$35 to \$45 per month.

The furniture pool operated by the Friends Hostel is very active and in all probability could outfit several families, at least temporarily until the evacuees could secure some of their own things from storage.

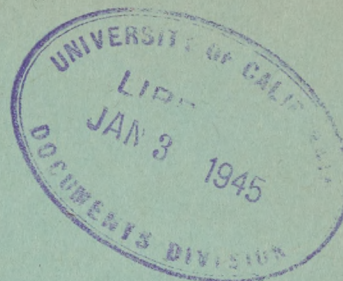
In other localities, such as Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Clinton and Sioux City, housing is somewhat scarce, but we have active committees or interested individuals who are in a position to assist with the housing problem in cities outside of Des Moines.

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December 15, 1944



The Central Area

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List of communities open for invitation, summary of current relocation opportunities, and review of current housing situation for Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Eastern Nebraska and Eastern South Dakota.

CENTRAL AREA ADDED TO NORTH CENTRAL AREA

Effective December 16, 1944 the Central Area covering the district relocation offices at Des Moines, Iowa, Kansas City, Missouri, Omaha, Nebraska and St. Louis, Missouri will be added to the North Central Area under the jurisdiction of Miss Prudence Ross, Acting Relocation Supervisor, 226 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, 6, Illinois.

The District Offices will continue as usual.

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DEVELOPMENTS IN SENTIMENT

The sentiment in the whole Area is excellent. This is endorsed by the increasing activities of the reorganized local Citizens Committees in all districts.

The evacuee sponsored "Goodwill Dinner" at Omaha, Nebraska on November 24, 1944 reached the capacity crowd of approximately 150 persons, and due to inadequate space many persons were turned away. Many prominent citizens attended.

Similar activities are being planned for other districts.

The Social Adjustment Committee, a sub-committee of the General Citizens Committee at Kansas City, has completed plans so that counseling service will be available effective January 1, 1945 at the Jackson County Social Security office, 920 East Ninth Street for all Japanese Americans.

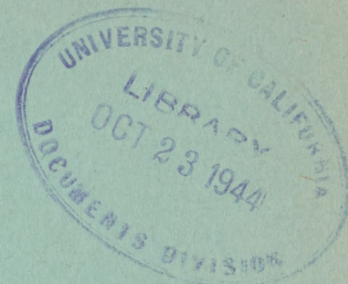
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1600 resettlers in this area are demonstrating that they can be absorbed into community life and lead normal useful lives. These resettlers have proved to the Mid-Westerners that Japanese-Americans are good workers, are good neighbors, and are law-abiding and loyal. Everywhere resettlers are being welcomed as fellow workmen, as neighbors, as associates in church activity, at places of amusement, in schools and theatres. So successfully have those who have resettled worked out that employers want more workers.

Community leaders have endorsed the WRA program; the press generally has been favorable. Throughout the Central Area there is a willingness to integrate Japanese Americans into our way of life, to let evacuees work in all occupations, and in other ways encourage them to lead normal American lives.

Indicative of the attitude of employers toward evacuees are the endorsements below:

St. Joseph Hospital - "In your letter you inquire as to how Dr. George Sasaki is working out in our hospital. Truly, everyone - hospital personnel, the Staff Doctors, the patients - have only the highest regard for Dr. Sasaki. He is most energetic, willing, faithful and kind. He has really made himself indispensable to us."

Girl Scouts Organization - "Mrs. Obata is doing an excellent job and fits into our organization exceptionally well. She not only has a grasp of all the details which her job as registrar requires, but she has a very pleasant manner in dealing with the volunteer workers with whom she comes in contact. She is a quiet, industrious and dependable worker. We are happy to have her on the staff."

Third Baptist Church - "We are very much delighted in having them, (Shingo Ichigoshima and Fred Miyasaka) on our custodian staff. They are doing splendidly and we want you to know that we appreciate them and what they are doing."

City of St. Louis, Hospital Division - "Miss Homoya Koga, who has been employed here as a laboratory technician since September 1943, has fully convinced us that the Japanese American people are making their wartime contributions. Miss Koga's loyalty is beyond question. She has repeatedly during casual conversations with this writer, expressed her strong feeling for this country and its ideals. Her work has been outstanding, her relationship to co-employees, excellent."

Public opinion is definitely good as evidenced by an editorial from one of the Nation's leading newspapers, the Post Dispatch:

JUSTICE FOR JAPANESE AMERICANS

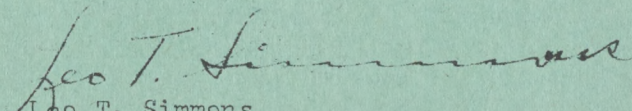
"An American born woman of Japanese descent, widow of a soldier killed in action in Italy and sister of two men in service, was barred by the Army from returning to her home in California. The case, typical of many, aroused concern on the part of the American Civil Liberties Union, and it took the issue to court. A Federal Judge in Los Angeles asked the Army to show cause as to why this woman, Mrs. Shizuko Shiramizu, should not be allowed to return to her home, and the military authorities granted her permission to do so.

"The outcome of the case indicates that the previous policy will be modified, particularly since the United States Attorney said at the hearing: 'The Government does not intend to oppose the return of Japanese-Americans whose records are cleared by the military authorities.'

"The great majority of the Japanese-Americans removed from the West Coast 33 months ago are of proved loyalty. Many of their sons and brothers are in the armed forces, and have given admirable service. It is evident that race prejudice had something to do with the delay in restoring full liberty to the group. Now that the policy is being changed, civil liberties in American are on a firmer basis." St. Louis. 9/16/44.

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It is our belief that individuals or families can resettle today with assurance that they can find a satisfactory work opportunity, will find living reasonably satisfactory on the outside. While wages are not so high in this area as in some of the large metropolitan cities, nor are jobs as plentiful, yet good opportunities do exist. To evacuees who want to be accepted at face value, we recommend the Central Area.


Leo T. Simmons
Acting Relocation Supervisor

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
1510 Fidelity Building
Kansas City, 6, Missouri

FIELD BULLETIN, Kansas City District

September 15, 1944

Francis P. O'Malley, Acting Relocation Officer

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

The Metropolitan Area of Greater Kansas City is open under the Community Invitation plan. For those who may wish to relocate in Chillicothe, Springfield, Joplin, St. Joseph, Clinton, Liberty, Excelsior Springs, and other communities of like size in Western Missouri we are suggesting the advance approval plan. This plan is also suggested for Topeka, Lawrence, Leavenworth, and Atchison in the state of Kansas.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Despite the fact that the Metropolitan Area of Greater Kansas City has been classified as a Group IV labor area, the Kansas City WRA office continues to obtain job opportunities for both Nisei and Issei. The U. S. Employment Service continues to inform this office of job opportunities in addition to job offers coming into the office unsolicited -- evidence of the fact that evacuees have lived up to their reputation as good workers and that acceptance is excellent.

Job Offer Digest

Jobs for Men

FACTORY WORKERS

A well-known manufacturer of corn products wants twenty-five evacuees. Work consists of loading and unloading manufactured supplies of finished products, operating simple production equipment such as conveyors, pumps, motors, filter presses, etc. Open shop basis with C.I.O. affiliations. Starting wage from 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per hour, overtime after 8 hours a day and 40 hours per week. Ample opportunity to work overtime at time and a half.

LIGHT FACTORY

3 men to do light factory work which consists of covering and lining cases. Also men to do mill work and operate wood working machines. Excellent working conditions. Previous experience not necessary. Permanent employment. Starting wage 50¢ to 60¢ per hour depending on experience and aptitude. Time and a half pay over 40 hours. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ day week. Union affiliation and acceptance by A.F. of L.

FOUNDRY WORKERS

6 men 18 to 50 years of age as foundry helpers at Atchison, Kansas. Union affiliation with the United Mine Workers. This is an essential industry. Starting wage is 60¢ per hour, time and a half over 8 hours. The cost of living is relatively low in Atchison. Free hospitalization is offered all employees.

SHARE CROP FOR FARMER

For an evacuee interested in truck gardening we have an offer of 130 acres of land within the corporate limits of Kansas City -- share-cropper lease. The land is level and can be irrigated. The owner of this land is receptive to the idea of operating on a 50-50 basis. He does not have any farm equipment of his own.

WOODWORKERS

Manufacturer of luggage has opening for four men to do wood work. 50¢ to 60¢ an hour depending on experience. Time and a half after 40 hours. Working conditions excellent.

SHIPPING CLERK

An office supplies company desires shipping clerk to look after stock and inventory. Hours of work from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 8:15 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Pay will run \$138 per month. If able to repair mimeograph machines, can earn more money.

JANITOR

For college in Liberty, Missouri. \$100 per month plus unfurnished cottage on campus. Work will consist of cleaning classrooms and general janitorial work around college building.

ELEVATOR OPERATORS and
BELL BOY SERVICE

Operate passenger elevator and bell boy service. Very light and easy work. \$60 per month plus tips.

RANCH WORKER

\$40 to \$60 per month, farm produce, furnished new house, and garage. Work will consist of putting up some hay, fix fence, milk 2 cows, feed 2 horses, 2 hogs, etc. No plowing or cultivation. Keep ranch in good shape, feed hay in winter to some cattle.

AUDITOR

Night auditor at hotel. \$100 per month plus room and board.

PACKING HOUSE WORKERS

Large meat packing company needs workers in the beef killing, sheep and calf killing, animal feed and hide cellar departments. 70¢ an hour, plus time and a half for overtime after 40 hours. Average work week 53 hrs.

AUTO MECHANICS

\$40 to \$65 per week. Automobile mechanical experience necessary.

DENTAL TECHNICIANS

60¢ to \$1.00 per hour depending upon skill. Construct dentures, bridges and all types of prosthetic work.

FACTORY WORKERS

Paper box manufacturer wants men as laborers. 70¢ per hour, 52 hour week, time and a half over 40 hours. 5¢ an hour more for working nights.

LENS GRINDER	50¢ to 80¢ per hour. Do mutiple grinding, polishing, and blocking of lenses. Time and a half over 40 hours.
DRAFTSMAN	80¢ an hour. Time and a half over 40 hours.
LINOTYPE OPERATOR	80¢ an hour. Time and a half over 40 hours.
PHOTOGRAPHER	Average \$25 per week. Dark Room work.
SHOE REPAIRMEN	\$35 to \$50 per week.
RADIO REPAIRMEN	\$30 to \$35 per week. Also can repair refrigerators.

Jobs for Women

LIGHT FACTORY WORK	Manufacturer of luggage has opening for 25 girls to do light factory work covering and lining cases. 50¢ to 60¢ an hour depending on experience.
KITCHEN WORK	Hospital in Atchison, Kansas has five openings for kitchen helpers. Room and board furnished. \$12 per week with increase according to ability.
GENERAL DUTY NURSES	Three openings. 8 hour day, 48 hour week. \$100 per month plus board, room, and laundry.
PHOTO FINISHERS and DARK ROOM WORK	20 girls to work in a local camera shop. 65¢ an hour to start. Time and a half over 40 hours.

Domestic Jobs

There continues to be a strong demand for domestic help. Jobs for single girls, with room and board, range from a weekly wage of \$15 to \$25; in many instances a 5½ day work week is permitted. Offers for married couples range from \$100 to \$150 per month. Also available are combination arrangements where the wife may work for the joint room and board of herself and husband, so that the husband may take employment elsewhere.

An unusual offer -- A suburban resident will employ a domestic couple, provide room and board plus wages and offer facilities for raising several hundred chickens, proceeds from which may be retained by the evacuee couple taking the offer.

III. HOUSING

Houses, furnished or unfurnished, are very difficult to find at any price. Apartments both furnished and unfurnished are easier. Monthly rentals range from \$40 to \$65 per month. Accommodations for individuals can always be arranged at the Y.M.C.A., hotels, and in private rooming houses for as little as \$4.50 per week up to \$8.00 per week. For those employed in an essential industry the War Housing Center will assist evacuees to find newly converted apartments. These apartments are unfurnished and rent for \$42.50 and up.

Recently an evacuee rented a large home and he presently has accommodations for ten people. He is asking \$3.50 and \$4.50 per week for a room.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
727 Paul Brown Building
St. Louis, Missouri

FIELD BULLETIN, St. Louis District

September 15, 1944

Dorothy N. Henschen, Acting Relocation Officer

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

An open Community Invitation is extended for the Metropolitan St. Louis area-- St. Louis, Chesterfield, Clayton, Kirkwood, Webster Groves, St. Louis County, and Alton, Illinois -- accessible to the WRA office in downtown St. Louis by rapid transportation.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Outside of a demand for labor for heavy industry, St. Louis does not have a serious labor shortage. However, it is comparatively easy for the local WRA office and the U.S.E.S. to find satisfactory positions for resettlers in most fields of endeavor. If evacuees are willing to accept temporary employment or positions paralleling those listed below, immediate employment is guaranteed. For positions in specialized fields, a period of two weeks is sometimes required to find a satisfactory position.

Job Offer Digest

Jobs for Men

BAKER'S HELPER

Issei or Nisei, men (60¢ per hour) and women (52 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per hour). For unskilled work in a large commercial bakery. Time and a half over 40 hours with opportunity for advancement.

BAKERY SALESMEN

Nisei salesmen under 38 as bakery wagon driver. Commission basis. Can earn to start about \$40.00 to \$50.00 per week. Will soon average \$60.00 to \$75.00 per week and up to \$100.00 per week.

FACTORY WORKERS

At flour mill, packaging flour and lease-lend soup. Can use five to seven men. Salary 70¢ per hour to start with overtime after 40 hours.

LEATHER WORKERS

Two men to do leather tooling and general saddle making and repairing. 60¢ to \$1.00 per hour, time and one half after 40 hours with advancement according to ability. Permanent work.

NURSERY WORKERS

For general nursery work. Living accommodations provided. Salary 50¢ per hour to start with raises until minimum of 65¢ per hour is secured. Some Nisei already employed. Good opportunity for Trial Indefinite Leave.

NURSERY WORKERS

5 for general nursery work and farming. Salary 50¢ per hour to start. Living accommodations provided. Good opportunity for Trial Indefinite Leave.

ORDER FILLERS

2 to fill orders in chain manufacturing firm. Salary 60¢ for first three months, after which will increase to 70¢. Overtime after 40 hours.

PAINT SPRAYER

Spray base or primer coats on art figurines. Experienced preferred or will train. Salary 50¢ per hour for inexperienced, gradually increasing to 65¢. Work week 50 hours - overtime after 40 hours.

RADIO SERVICEMAN

Man experienced in radio work. Will furnish tools. Good working conditions. \$40.00 per week.

WAREHOUSEMEN

2 men for retail furniture store work. Consists of lifting and moving furniture varying in weight up to 100 pounds. Salary to start \$33.00 per week. Work week 6 days, 8 hours per day.

X-RAY SPECIALIST

Must be graduate from an accredited medical school with some experience in X-ray work. Duration employment guaranteed.

Jobs for Women

FACTORY WORKERS

2 Crews - 5 each - to package flour in a flour mill. Salary 50¢ per hour to be raised to 55¢ at end of 30 days. Two girls of crew ill be raised to 60¢. 40 hour week with at least 8 hours overtime.

SEAMSTRESS

To assemble first models of dresses in manufacturing firm. \$19.00 per week to start.

STENOGRAPHERS

2 - with large stationery house. Work consists of dictation, transcribing, typing credit memos and some clerical work. Salary \$85.00 per month.

STENOGRAPHERS

War plant - \$25.00 per week for junior steno - \$32.00 per week for senior steno. Employees upgraded every three months. Plant investigation necessary.

TYPISTS

2 - with large stationery house. Typing shipping tickets and doing clerical work. Salary \$70.00 per month for 40 hours.

WAITRESS

To wait on tables, tend fountains for tea room, fountain and gift shop in hospital. \$35.00 per month plus complete maintenance and hospitalization.

Domestic

We have in our files a number of full-time domestic positions and excellent part-time positions for young people who would like to go to school and work for their room and board. Full time domestic jobs for girls pay up to \$20.00 per week plus complete maintenance.

An excellent position recently received would be ideal for a couple with a grown daughter. It is being briefly described below. For further details, please contact the St. Louis Office.

DOMESTIC COUPLE AND
UPSTAIRS MAID

A couple, without children, wishes to employ a man as yardman, a woman as cook and downstairs maid and a girl as upstairs maid at salaries of \$100.00, \$100.00 and \$80.00 respectively. Separate quarters consisting of six rooms and bath are provided for the servants. The main home has eight rooms with baths. While experience is desired, they will accept persons who are capable of being taught.

III. HOUSING

Temporary housing is always available at prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per day. Small furnished apartments may be secured without too much difficulty from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per week, depending on size. Larger furnished apartments are difficult to find and usually range in price from \$60.00 up. Unfurnished flats and apartments are easier to secure and rent for \$30.00 to \$50.00, depending on the size and the location. All relocatees may be assured, however, that some type of housing will be available on their arrival in St. Louis.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
520 Liberty Building
Des Moines, Iowa

FIELD BULLETIN, Des Moines District

September 15, 1944

Frank E. Gibbs, Relocation Officer

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

The entire state of Iowa with the exception of Fremont and Page counties is open for community invitation to resettlers. Formal cooperating committees have been organized and are functioning in Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Davenport, Dubuque, and Waterloo. For assistance other than through the local WRA office evacuees should call on the followings:

<u>Community</u>	<u>Person to Contact</u>
Des Moines - - - - -	Mr. Robert Root, 101 51st Street
Cedar Rapids - - - - -	Mr. John M. Ely, 414 Guaranty Building
Waterloo - - - - -	Mr. J. P. Salz, 112 Franklin Street
	Mr. Leif Schreiner, War Manpower Commission
Davenport - - - - -	Mr. Joe Bransby, General Secretary, Y. M. C. A.
Dubuque - - - - -	Rev. Charles S. Hompstead, 1141 Main Street
Spencer - - - - -	Miss Velma Baker
Clinton - - - - -	Mr. Fulmer, Y. M. C. A.
Muscatine - - - - -	Mr. Guy Hunting, 407 Van Horn Street
	Mr. Judson T. Perkins, 1005 Oregon Street
Amos - - - - -	Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Allen, 509 Welch Avenue
Hampton - - - - -	Mr. R. R. Stuart
New Hampton - - - - -	Miss Gretchen Garst
Sioux City - - - - -	Mr. John Knudson, Badgerow Building
Marshalltown - - - - -	Rev. B. T. Trickoy, Congregational Church
Pocahontas - - - - -	Mr. Max Naylor, County Extension Director
Fort Dodge - - - - -	Mr. Geo. R.D. Kramer, County Extension Director
	Mr. Floyd D. Huling, County Extension Director
Newton - - - - -	Mrs. Nell Tyler, 739 1st Avenue, East

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

There has been a slight decrease in the number of agricultural offers received. Farm work except for livestock feeding will be quite light until next spring. There will be some corn picking but a lot of this is done with mechanical pickers. Larger operators, though, are interested in employing help realizing that they must retain these individuals during the winter months so that they will have them during the heavier work season starting in March. All farms have considerable maintenance work that can be done during the winter months.

Japanese Americans who are interested in year-round farm employment or opportunities to farm on a share basis are encouraged to come out during the fall and winter so they will be suitably relocated by the time the spring crops are ready to be planted. Share crop arrangements are still limited in Iowa, but there are many that can be developed provided the employee is on the ground floor in order to compete with local residents who are looking for these same opportunities. It must be remembered that Iowa is not marginal land and that it is all under cultivation at this particular time. We do have some land owners and operators who recognize the farming ability of Japanese Americans but are reluctant in giving us any definite offer until they can sit down and discuss these things with the individual or have had an opportunity to see how he adapts himself to this different type of farming.

Job Offer Digest

Jobs for Men

BAR WORKERS	2 boys, one for locker room, one for bar. Will consider part-time students. Club in Des Moines.
BUS AND BAR BOY	\$25 per week (plus meals) for busboy. Hours 4 p.m. to midnight. \$25 per week, (no meals) for bar boy. Hours 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
BUS AND KITCHEN HELP	\$24 per week plus room and board for 4 male kitchen help and busboys. \$18 to \$20 per week, plus room and board for 4 bus girls. Several Niseis employed at this hotel. Burlington, Iowa.
FARM COUPLE	\$24 per week plus housing and commodities for couple with one or two children. Care of 14 cow dairy herd and other farm work. Three room furnished house with electricity. Tracer, Iowa.
GENERAL HANDYMAN	\$60 per month plus maintenance to assist employer in general farm repair. Travel expenses paid. Salary raise if capable. Permanent. Des Moines.
GRAIN TESTERS	2 men to drive truck, sample and analyze grain from cars. Will train. \$125 to \$135 per month. Des Moines.
HOUSEMAN	Tend furnace in hotel. Issei acceptable. \$27.50 per week. Room available. Des Moines.
JANITOR	Fire two hot-air furnaces, clean halls, etc. Excellent part-time work for student. \$40 per month. Des Moines.
STUDENT JANITOR	General cleaning at University of Dubuque. \$60 per month plus board and room. Dubuque, Iowa.
NIGHT PORTER	Issei to clean cafeteria. 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Light work. \$75 per month plus meals. Des Moines.

OPTICIAN	Shop work until license acquired. Must be able to pass State exam and secure license. To work in branches of firm. \$50 per week to start. Des Moines.
BAKER'S HELPERS	2 men to start at \$20 per week. Raise to \$42.50 per week if capable. 48 hour week. Des Moines.
PIN SETTERS	4 boys, full or part time. 7¢ to 8¢ per line. Des Moines.
PHOTO PRINTER	For contact printing and enlarging. Raise if able to do portrait work. One Nisei employed. Des Moines.
BAR PORTER	\$35 per week. Des Moines.
POULTRY WORKERS	4 men to feed chickens, kill and draw poultry. 50¢ hour to start. 55¢ in few days, time and a half over 40 hours. Much overtime. Burlington, Iowa.
STOCK CLERK	Receive and check freight, some cleanup. \$37.50 per week. Nisei formerly employed. Davenport, Ia.
TIRE RECAPPERS	Will train 3 Niseis. 60¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Two Niseis now employed. Des Moines.
WATCHMAKER	To assist Nisei watchmaker who will welcome correspondence. Des Moines.
WELDERS	4 men for steel firm. 81¢ to 96¢ per hour. Time and a half over 40 hours. Des Moines.
LABORERS	12 men to start at 58¢ per hour with possible raise to 96¢. Des Moines.
LABORERS	3 men to cut down and trim trees, drive truck, haul lumber, etc. 90¢ an hour. Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

Jobs For Women

GARMENT FINISHERS	3 women 18 to 35. Will train. 40¢ an hour minimum. Average 60¢ piece work. Des Moines.
REGISTERED DIETICIAN	Full maintenance in private home near hospital. Must be between 20 and 40 and eligible for A.D.A. Salary open. 48 hour week. Marshalltown, Iowa.
WAITRESSES	2 women, \$18 to \$20 per week plus two meals. Dubuque, Iowa.

III. Housing

Des Moines - The Friends Hostel, 2150 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa, has accommodations for 28 to 35 evacuees on a temporary basis. The Hostel serves the entire state and will provide temporary quarters for dependents while the head of the house is working outside of Des Moines and is arranging for permanent housing.

Furnished or unfurnished homes are quite scarce at this time. It usually requires a period of three to four weeks to find a suitable location for a family unit. Rent ceilings apply to all property and these ceilings range from \$40. to \$60. per month. There is an ample supply of apartments for adults. This is also true of single rooms for boys or girls. Single rooms range all the way from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per week.

Other localities - Housing is rather difficult in Clinton, Cedar Rapids and Waterloo due to the increase in the number of war industries in these cities.

Our agency will assist in the location of suitable housing outside of Des Moines while dependents of the family head can reside temporarily at the Friends Hostel in Des Moines.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
202 City Natl. Bank Bldg.
Omaha 2, Nebraska

FIELD BULLETIN, Omaha District

September 15, 1944

William K. Holland, Relocation Officer

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

<u>Community</u>	<u>Person to Contact</u>
Omaha, Nebraska - - - -	War Relocation Authority
Lincoln, Nebraska - - -	Reverend Robert Drew, 1417 R. Street
Kearney, Nebraska - - -	Reverend William D. Eckel, 217 E. 30th St.
Holdrege, Nebraska - - -	Mr. W. R. Batie
Lexington, Nebraska - -	Reverend Charles W. Shedd
Cozad, Nebraska - - - -	Mr. Noel Cover

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The latest labor-market information pertaining to the Omaha-Council Bluffs Area states that production of war materials vitally necessary to our armed forces is being delayed because of an acute labor shortage. In fact, the Omaha area has been reclassified as a Group II labor market. This situation is reflected in the Omaha WRA office by more and more unsolicited offers from essential industries.

An announcement appeared in the Omaha newspapers on the morning of September 13, that the Army Ordnance Department had approved the employing of Nisei at the Sioux Ordnance Plant in Sidney, Nebraska.

A check is being made with our District Supervisor, Army Intelligence, Army Ordnance relative to the possibility of opening the Mead Ordnance Depot at Mead, Nebraska, and the Quaker Oats Ordnance at Grand Island, Nebraska, to the employment of Nisei.

A plan has been worked out by representatives of the Omaha Public Schools, the Chamber of Commerce, the Associated Retailers, and the Omaha Manufacturers Association whereby students whose scholastic standing permits part-time employment can be recruited. They will be able to put in 24 hours a week, 8 hours on Monday starting at noon, 8 hours on Saturday, and 8 hours distributed throughout the week.

Anyone who is interested in going into the nursery and greenhouse business is urged to get in touch with the Relocation Program Officer about a greenhouse with five acres which is for sale in Lincoln, Nebraska. The sale price is \$15,000. A flower shop in Omaha, Nebraska, is also for sale. The Omaha opportunity does not include the building but includes the stock of plants, the business, and fixtures. The sale price is \$2500. The same individual owns both establishments. There is an opportunity for either an Issei or Nisei to work here at a starting salary of \$25 per week with a guarantee of a raise at the end of 90 days -- a capable person would be paid up to \$50 per week. Housing is available.

Job Offer Digest

Jobs for Men

ASSISTANT COOK	Pantryman and assistant cook. \$275 per month to start, \$300 if capable. Lincoln, Nebraska
BARBER	Issei or Nisei, \$100 per month with room and board in Boystown, Nebraska. License not required.
BUS DRIVER	\$150 per month, room and board. Salary adjusted if married. Permanent. Boystown, Nebraska
CLEANER AND PRESSER	\$35 per week to start. Partly furnished apartment at \$25 per month. Excellent community of 3,000. Permanent work. Wayne, Nebraska
COOK	Opening with Chamber of Commerce for second cook. Salary \$40 per week plus one meal. Issei are acceptable. Omaha
CORN SHUCKERS	Four men wanted. Paid 10¢ a bushel, average \$5.00 a day and up. Separate 5 room house with light and furniture available. Seasonal or year round work. Lexington, Nebraska
DAIRYMAN	Experienced man to take charge Holstein dairy herd. Pasteurizing, bottling and handling of milk. \$150 per month if experienced. \$100 per month if trainee. Housing provided. Married man preferred. May bring children. Boystown, Nebraska
ESSENTIAL INDUSTRY	Welders and laborers needed. Starting salary for laborers 65 cents per hour with time and a half over 40 hours. Double time on seventh consecutive day. Welders must pass welder's test at plant. Will be graded according to ability. Wages for welders comparable to any paid by fabricators in this area.

FLORISTS

Issei or Nisei capable of bench work and handling greenhouse flowers. \$25 per week to start. Raise to \$50 within 90 days if capable. 4 room house with light, water, and gas available. Lincoln, Nebraska

FREIGHT ELEVATOR
AND PORTER MAN

Leading department store will accept Nisei or Issei. Must be able to check freight in and out, do some lifting of boxes, and be able to read and write figures. Salary \$120 per month. Omaha.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE
PACKERS

2 men, one for vegetable packing, the other for banana packing. Experienced Issei acceptable. 58¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. 14 hours overtime. Permanent. Omaha, Nebraska.

MACHINE SHOP
INSTRUCTOR

Work will consist of teaching machine shop to high-school classes at Boys Town. Applicant should have teaching certificate. Salary \$2400 per year. Boys Town, Nebraska

PIN SETTERS

Bowling Alley will accept Nisei or Issei. Salary averages \$30 to \$50 per week. Omaha

Jobs for Women

ALTERATIONISTS

Women's clothing store will accept Nisei or Issei. Salary \$22.50 per week. Omaha

Domestic

We have a number of good part-time domestic positions for young people who would like to go to school and work for their room and board. Full-time domestic jobs for single girls are plentiful, paying up to \$20 per week plus complete maintenance.

DOMESTIC COUPLE

Man as chauffeur and yard man. Woman to take full charge of cooking and serving and general household duties. Salary \$165 per month with maintenance. Omaha.

Farm Opportunities

There are numerous farm opportunities available in our district. In Dawson and Buffalo counties in Nebraska, share-crop offers with particularly good housing arrangements are available. These offers are in an old, well-established irrigation district. The Tri-County Area also offers good opportunities for long-time and permanent relocation. Ask your relocation program officer for full information.

III. CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION

There is still a shortage of furnished houses and apartments as well as unfurnished houses and apartments in the urban areas. This is especially true in Omaha and in the cities and towns which have essential war work. In the rural communities this shortage is not acute. There is no difficulty in finding rooms for single boys and girls, and we have an arrangement with the Salvation Army which will take care of temporary housing at a very nominal rate for any family coming to Omaha.

Persons accepting positions with companies doing essential war work are eligible to live in the war-housing units if any are available. These units are unfurnished. The kitchens, however, usually are equipped with built-in cupboards, a stove, and a Coolerator. Rents average around \$42.50 per month.

DEFENSE
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US WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
1510 Fidelity Building
Kansas City, Missouri

October 15, 1944

The Central Area

F I E L D B U L L E T I N

List of communities open for invitation, summary of current relocation opportunities, and review of current housing situation for Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Eastern Nebraska and Eastern South Dakota.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR ISSEI

We recently asked our relocation officers to talk with all employers interested in Japanese American help to consider foreign born evacuees for the jobs which they are offering. Almost without exception the response has been favorable. Outside of a few jobs where certain restrictions make it essential that citizens be hired, we have found employers are willing and in many cases actually specify that they would much prefer to have Issei. As a result of this special work we have been able to develop a number of jobs in the Central Area which should be satisfactory for folks over 45. This attitude on the part of the employers is encouraging for it means that the reputation of the Issei is established and that future jobs will continue to open.

In this bulletin we have indicated which jobs are specifically available for older people.

SOME FACTS FOR OLDER FOLKS WHO ARE CONSIDERING RELOCATION

1. Sentiment in the Central Area is excellent.
2. Employers are enthusiastic in their praise about Japanese Americans and want more help.
3. Public schools are open to children of Issei. In no case in this area have we found that tuition is required. The prevalent attitude is that resettlers are part of the regular population and, therefore, no

tuition is necessary.

4. Language should be no barrier for those who speak but little English. We have dozens of opportunities where the Issei can associate with other Japanese Americans so that language is no handicap.

5. Satisfactory food may be secured in all of the larger cities. Rice is available and in most cases a limited supply of fresh fish.

6. A wide variety of jobs are now open in both the metropolitan cities and in the urban areas. More opportunities can be developed.

7. Fall is a good time to relocate. The relocation officers are in an excellent position to give each individual considerable individual attention.

8. Enough older people have already relocated so that there is an opportunity to lead a normal social life.

9. In all of our districts we are organizing a sub-committee of social agencies to assist in the adjustment of older people in the community as well as help them to utilize all the community resources available.

PLAN FOR A FAMILY REUNION

If you have relatives relocated in the Central Area ask them to visit with their relocation officer so that he may look for a satisfactory relocation opportunity for you. Also have your relocation program officer forward your relocation summary to the district where you think you would like to relocate. Already almost half of the relocation in the Central Area is composed of family groups. The following statistics may be of interest to those who are somewhat hesitant about family relocation:

<u>District Office</u>	<u>No. of Family Groups</u>	<u>Percentage of Re- settlers Represented</u>
Des Moines	71	46%
St. Louis	61	42%
Kansas City	56	38%
Omaha	98	54%

AN OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT WHAT RESETTLERS THINK OF RELOCATION

We are supplying your relocation program officer with a list of Issei resettlers who are willing to answer a limited number of letters from

center residents answering specific questions regarding sentiment as well as supply factual data. Ask your relocation program officer to supply you with the name of a resettler in whom you have confidence so that you may get an unbiased opinion.

SOME MORE ENDORSEMENTS

The following endorsements from employers are typical of those which we are receiving from week to week:

Father Flanagan's Boys Town - "We find that these employees have proved to be very satisfactory workers, are dependable and get along well with their fellow workers. We are very well pleased with their service to Boys Town."

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Brodkey Jewelry Company, Omaha - "These two men, (Mr. Henry Katayama and Mr. Tak Misaki), have been in our employ approximately a year. They have proven themselves to be very satisfactory workmen in their skill as watchmakers. They are also very dependable and all of their fellow workers enjoy their association. We have been very happy to have them, and only wish we were able to find more men of this calibre to have associated with us."

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The Gland-O-Lac Company, Omaha - "These men (Mr. Henry Taketa and Mr. Haruo Taketa) have proved themselves to be satisfactory workmen. Both are industrious, diligent, and dependable. They appear to be honest and conscientious in all their dealings.

"They get along well with their fellow workers, and are loyal to the interests of the company. They have actually won the admiration of their fellow employees by their good work and behavior.

"Both men appear to be as pro-American as any of their white fellow workers. They have also subscribed to payroll deduction war bond purchases."

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P. F. Petersen Baking Company, Omaha - "Akira Higashi has been in our employ since August 23, 1943, and has proved to be a very satisfactory workman, thoroughly dependable and very congenial with his fellow workers. Frankly, we wish we had many more employees of the calibre of this boy.

At first some of the salesmen resented the fact that he is a Japanese-American, but in a very short length of time, his personality and promptness in performing his duties had off-set all the ill feeling that might have existed, and he is now thoroughly liked by all salesmen."

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Paxton & Vierling Iron Works, Omaha - "When you first referred these Japanese boys to us we expected an unfavorable reaction from our other employees. However, all of these boys have made friends with their fellow workmen.

The other day, I told you that these Japanese boys were doing an excellent job as employees for our plant and I can tell you honestly that they are hard workers, very dependable and I think they are among the best workmen we have in the plant."

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FURTHER INDICATIONS OF FAVORABLE PUBLIC SENTIMENT

From the Clinton, Iowa Herald

WMC PRAISES NISEI WORKERS - "Eleven war workers of Japanese descent drew formal praise from the war manpower commission here today for working from 16 to 21 hours a day in furtherance of America's war effort

H. A. Cross, area director of the WMC, said most of the Nisei now working here could not even speak Japanese. Some of them know a few words of the Japanese language, just enough to enable them to converse briefly with their parents.

Virtually all the Nisei here have relatives in the U. S. army or navy, Cross said. Some of these soldiers and sailors, closely related to the war workers here, have been decorated for conspicuous bravery in action, Cross added.

All the Nisei employed here are assigned to a war plant which has the highest war necessity rating given any industry in the Clinton area, it was revealed in WMC records." August 29, 1944.

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Leo T. Simmons
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Acting Relocation Supervisor

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
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Des Moines 8, Iowa

FIELD BULLETIN, Des Moines District

October 15, 1944

Frank E. Gibbs, Relocation Officer

Telephone 38681

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

The entire State of Iowa with the exception of Fremont and Page counties and the vicinity of Muscatine is open for community invitation to anyone who wishes to resettle.

Names of committee chairmen in Iowa are as follows:

Robert Root, 101 51st Street, Des Moines, Iowa
John M. Ely, 414 Guaranty Building, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
J. P. Salz, 112 Franklin Street, and
Leif Schreiner, War Manpower Commission Office, Waterloo, Iowa
Joe Bransby, General Secretary, Y.M.C.A., Davenport, Iowa
Rev. Charles S. Hempstead, 1141 Main Street, Dubuque, Iowa

In a number of other cities formal committees have not been organized but interested individuals listed below will give assistance to any evacuee who calls upon them for information or aid.

Spencer Iowa-----	Miss Velma Baker
Clinton, Iowa-----	Mr. Fulmer, Y.M.C.A.
Muscatine, Iowa-----	Guy Hunting, 407 Van Horn St., and Judson T. Perkins, 1005 Oregon Street
Ames, Iowa-----	Mr. and Mrs. Edw. S. Allen, 509 Welch Ave.
Hampton, Iowa-----	R. R. Stuart
New Hampton, Iowa-----	Miss Gretchen Garst
Sioux City, Iowa-----	John Knudson, Badgerow Building
Marshalltown, Iowa-----	Rev. B. T. Trickey, Congregational Church
Pocahontas, Iowa-----	Max Naylor, County Extension Director
Fort Dodge, Iowa-----	George R. D. Kramer and Floyd D. Huling, County Extension Director
Newton, Iowa-----	Mrs. Nell Tyler, 739 1st Ave., East.
Keosauqua, Iowa-----	Joe Stong, County Attorney.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The demand for workers on a volume basis is declining. About the same volume of positions, however, are available for evacuees.

Family Relocation Opportunities - Housing Furnished

CUSTODIAN

Issei desired

A college in Oskaloosa, Iowa has asked for a custodian. Remuneration--a four room modern apartment with all utilities furnished free, besides a salary on a sliding scale, according to the Quaker plan, based on the needs and ability of the man. This is a permanent position. The man who has held it is retiring at this time after forty years of service. The family accepting this position will be in a very favorable environment and a part of the college community.

GENERAL FARM WORK

Issei acceptable

One of the most prominent dairies, 1½ miles from Des Moines is re-building its herd after having sold out two years ago. The manager of the farm has had recent experience in working with both Nisei and Issei and is very partial towards their work and praises what he has seen very highly. They want a man to start work at once on this farm doing general farm work and learning about the dairy business. The manager will work with him and instruct him. For the time being the man will receive \$75 to \$80 per month plus maintenance and live in the manager's home, having a private room. As soon as the work warrants, the salary will be increased. In the very near future, they expect that a four-room house on the farm will be vacant and at such time the worker could send for his family.

FARM WORK

Issei acceptable

A fruit farmer owns a 55 acre farm 11 miles east of Des Moines. This farm contains 1200 apple trees, 1200 plum trees, 300 pear trees, 200 cherry trees, and about 5 acres devoted to walnuts, hickory nuts and pecans. There is one-half acre of strawberries and a few blackberries and raspberries. There is a seven-room frame house, not modern, which will be available for the tenant. There will be three milk cows on this farm, one of which will be turned over to the tenant for his own milk and cream. He will have a 2 to 3 acre garden plot, and if he is a permanent employee, will also be provided with a hog for meat. This farmer was born and reared on this farm and is well along in years. He is very sympathetic towards the program and hopes that we can get him either an Issei or Nisei couple with a family. His needs are immediate since apples are being picked at present. He will pay \$80 per month to start and will give practically an immediate raise to his worker if capable.

Positions for Issei or Nisei

ASSISTANT COOK

Issei acceptable

Issei or Nisei with little experience O.K. Restaurant catering to select trade. (Issei cook employed next door.) \$35 per week plus meals. Slight raise if satisfactory. Des Moines.

DISHWASHER
Isséi preferred

\$60 per month, raise to \$65 shortly. 6:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Laundry furnished. Methodist hospital in Des Moines.

OPTICIAN
Issei acceptable

To work in shop until license acquired. Must be able to pass state examination and secure state license. May be transferred to firm branches outside of city, \$50 per week for optical company in Des Moines, Iowa.

PHYSICIAN - Resident
Issei acceptable

For hospital in Des Moines, Iowa. \$200 per month plus maintenance.

WELDERS
Issei acceptable

4 men for steel company. 81¢ to 96¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Des Moines.

LABORERS
Issei preferred

3 men to work in timber, trim and cut down trees, drive trucks; at mill, haul lumber, carry slabs and operate saw. 90¢ an hour, 54 hour week. Mt. Vernon, I

LABORERS
Issei acceptable

12 men for steel firm start at 58¢, 61¢ after 10 days if capable possible raise to 96¢ an hour. Des Moines.

Other Position for Men - Nisei Only.

BAKERS HELPERS

Two boys as baker's helpers, pan washers, and cleaners Start at \$20 per week, \$24 in one month, \$33 in three months. Thereafter may raise up to \$42.50 per week. Des Moines, Ia.

BOOKKEEPER

Bookkeeping duties and preparation of payroll for cleaners in Des Moines. \$25 a week.

PRESSER

For cleaners 57¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hrs. weekly. Should be experienced. One Nisei employed. Des Moines, Ia.

PORTER AND BUS BOY

Porter, \$30 per week for cleaning and general handiwork. Bus boy (may be part-time student) for kitchen work, 40¢ to 50¢ an hour. Des Moines.

Jobs for Women

COOK AND MAID

\$70 to \$75 per month for cook. \$45 to \$50 per month for maid. Cook responsible 3 meals a day for 37 residents of sorority. No dishwashing or waitering. Maid to care girls' rooms. Ames, Iowa.

MAID

Make beds, clean floors and bathrooms in 15 room hotel. \$15 per week plus lunch and room. Des Moines.

SEAMSTRESS

Experienced girl for cleaners. 57¢ per hour. 6 hours at time and a half. Des Moines.

STENOGRAPHER

Stenographic and clerical duties, some stenciling. Permanent post war position. Will consider man with merchandising experience if able to type. \$100 per month to start may raise to \$120. Board of Control in Des Moines, Iowa.

X-RAY LAB TECHNICIAN

Salary open for discussion with qualified applicants. Several Nisei cadet nurses training in this hospital. Marshalltown, Iowa.

III. HOUSING

According to the latest Labor Market Information for United States Employment Service Counseling, housing and living conditions in Des Moines are as follows:

"Comfortable family units, mostly apartments, are available but limited. Houses are scarce in the medium price bracket, but can be obtained. Rentals range from \$35 to \$65 per month for units now available. Living costs are up but consistent with the country in general.

Ample medical and dental facilities as well as hospital accommodations exist in this area. The community has ample and excellent transportation facilities extending to all parts of the city and extending into the nearby suburban areas."

Other localities -- Housing remains difficult in Cedar Rapids and Waterloo due to the increase in the number of war industries in these cities. Housing has been eased somewhat in Clinton, Iowa, because some of the leading manufacturers have leased large trailer homes, housing from four to six people which will now be available for their employees. We will assist in the location of suitable housing outside of Des Moines.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
727 Paul Brown Building
St. Louis, Missouri

FIELD BULLETIN, St. Louis District

October 15, 1944

Dorothy N. Henschen, Acting Relocation Officer

Central 3200-94

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

An open community invitation is extended for the metropolitan St. Louis area. The remainder of eastern Missouri is restricted to an advance approval plan.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The greatest demand for labor in St. Louis is for semi-skilled people in essential industries. However, it is still comparatively easy for the local WRA office and USES to find satisfactory employment in almost all fields of endeavor. If evacuees are willing to accept temporary employment in light manufacturing establishments, immediate employment is guaranteed. For positions in specialized fields, a few days is required to find satisfactory positions.

Jobs Open for Issei or Nisei

The following jobs are open for Issei - in most cases Issei are preferred because of their stability.

BAKER'S HELPER
Issei Preferred

Issei or Nisei, men (60¢ per hour) and women (52½¢ per hour). For unskilled work in a large commercial bakery. Time and a half over 40 hours with opportunity for advancement.

COOK
Issei bachelor
preferred

For Catholic Convent - to assist Sisters with cooking. Salary \$60 per month with maintenance. Housing accommodations provided at Seminary with another Issei family.

LEATHER WORKERS
Issei preferred

Two men to do leather tooling and general saddle making and repairing. 60¢ to \$1.00 per hour - time and one-half after 40 hours with advancement according to ability. Permanent work.

MACHINIST
Issei requested

One for work in chain manufacturing firm. Salary \$1.00 per hour. Can advance to \$1.20 per hour. Overtime after 40 hours. Can offer some post-war security on position.

NURSERY WORKERS
Issei bachelors
preferred

For general nursery work. Living accommodations provided. Salary 50¢ per hour to start with raises until maximum of 65¢ per hour is secured. Some Nisei already employed. Good opportunity for Trial Indefinite Leave. One Issei already employed by this firm.

ORDER FILLERS
Issei acceptable

Two to fill orders in chain manufacturing firm. Salary 60¢ for first three months after which will increase to 70¢. Overtime after 40 hours.

PAINT SPRAYER
Issei acceptable

Spray base or primer coats on art figurines. Experienced preferred or will train. Salary 50¢ per hour for inexperienced, gradually increasing to 65¢. Work week 50 hours - overtime after 40 hours.

For Family Relocation - Housing Furnished

CARETAKER-FARMER
Issei requested

To plant and maintain six acre garden, milk cows, fire stoker and do maintenance work on grounds of children's home. Family with children acceptable with opportunity for wife to work part time. Salary \$80.00 per month for man - five room frame bungalow on grounds furnished.

DOMESTIC COUPLE
Issei requested

An excellent opportunity for a couple with school age children. Separate six room cottage provided. Man required to do outside work, lay fires and drive. Wife must cook and do downstairs work. Salary offered \$180.00 per month for couple.

FARMER
McBaine, Missouri
Issei requested

To plant and tend vegetable garden, milk cows and do general chores around farm. Salary \$75.00 per month with four room house provided, partially furnished. Will accept couple with children. There is a school nearby.

Jobs for Men - Nisei

FACTORY WORKERS

At flour mill, packaging flour and lease-lend soup. Can use five to seven men. Salary 70¢ per hour to start with overtime after 40 hours.

BAKERY SALESMEN

Nisei salesmen under 38 as bakery wagon driver. Commission basis. Can earn to start about \$40.00 to \$50.00 per week. Will soon average \$60.00 to \$75.00 per week and up to \$100.00 per week.

MAINTENANCE BOY

To do general maintenance work, such as washing windows servicing awnings, etc. Salary \$30.00 per week for 48 hour week.

PRODUCE CLERK

To check vegetables in and out. Salary \$25.00 per week. Hours 5:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

RADIO SERVICEMAN

Man experienced in radio work. Will furnish tools. Good working conditions. \$40.00 per week.

SHIPPING CLERK For athletic goods manufacturer. Salary \$45.00 per week. Check with our office, as offer only good for limited time.

WAREHOUSEMEN Two men for retail furniture store work. Consists of lifting and moving furniture varying in weight up to 100 pounds. Salary to start \$33.00 per week. Work week six days, eight hours per day.

X-RAY SPECIALIST Must be graduate from an accredited medical school with some experience in X-ray work. Duration employment guaranteed.

Jobs for Women

BILLERS Two for freight company. Hours 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Salary \$27.50 per week to start. Two other Nisei girls employed by this firm.

COMMERCIAL ARTIST Two women to paint figurines by hand and with air brush. Will train girl interested in this kind of work. Inexperienced girl can earn about \$30.00 per week. Experienced up to \$175.00 per month

FACTORY WORKERS Two crews - 5 each - to package flour in a flour mill. Salary 50¢ per hour to be raised to 55¢ at end of 30 days. Two girls of crew will be raised to 60¢. 40 hour week with at least 8 hours overtime.

GENERAL OFFICE GIRL One to check, separate and mail invoices and other miscellaneous duties. Salary \$25.00 per week to start. Hours 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

STENOGRAPHER One with large stationery house. Work consists of dictation, transcribing, typing credit memos and some clerical work. Salary \$85.00 per month.

STENOGRAPHER For manufacturing firm. Salary \$25.00 per week. Duties stenographic and general office work.

STENOGRAPHER For church federation office. Salary \$85.00 per month for five day week. Nisei girl formerly employed on this position.

STENOGRAPHERS War plant - \$25.00 per week for junior steno - \$32.00 per week for senior steno. Employees upgraded every three months. Plant investigation necessary.

STENOGRAPHERS The St. Louis office does not endeavor to maintain a list of stenographic positions. Businessmen usually wish to interview a girl before they will hire and usually want to fill a job within a few days. The reputation of the Nisei girls is increasing in St. Louis with the result that we are having virtually no difficulty whatever in placing girls who are equipped to do stenographic work.

SEAMSTRESS

To assemble first models of dresses in manufacturing firm. \$19.00 per week to start.

TYPISTS

Two with large stationery house. Typing shipping tickets and doing some clerical work. Salary \$70.00 per month for 40 hours.

WAITRESS

To wait on tables, tend fountains for tea room, fountain and gift shop in hospital. \$35.00 per month plus complete maintenance and hospitalization.

Domestic

We have in our files a number of excellent full-time domestic positions as well as part-time positions for young people who would like to go to school and work for their room and board. There are also positions open where the wife may work as domestic and the husband live there and work elsewhere. Full time domestic jobs for girls pay up to \$20.00 per week plus complete maintenance.

There is a great demand for couples, both Issei and Nisei with salaries ranging from about \$125.00 to \$180.00 per month with maintenance.

III. HOUSING

Temporary housing is always available at prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per day. Even during the recent World Series, when all hotel accommodations were reserved weeks in advance, it was possible to secure lodging for an unexpected arrival.

Small furnished apartments may be secured without too much difficulty from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per week, depending on size. Larger furnished apartments are difficult to find and usually range in price from \$60.00 up. Couples with small children have found it rather difficult in some instances to rent the type furnished homes that they would desire.

Unfurnished flats and apartments are easier to secure and rent for \$30.00 to \$50.00 depending on the size and the location. All relocatees may be assured, however, that some type of housing will be available on their arrival in St. Louis.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
202 City National Bank Building
Omaha, 2, Nebraska

FIELD BULLETIN, Omaha District

October 15, 1944

William K. Holland, Relocation Officer

Jackson 8030

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

<u>Community</u>	<u>Person to Contact</u>
Omaha, Nebraska	War Relocation Authority
Lincoln, Nebraska	Rev. Robert Drew, 1417 R. Street
Kearney, Nebraska	Rev. William D. Eckel, 217 E. 30th St.
Holdrege, Nebraska	Mr. W. R. Batie
Lexington, Nebraska	Rev. Charles W. Shedd
Cozad, Nebraska	Mr. Noel Cover

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Since our last summary, we have made another check with reference to employer-employee relations where Issei and Nisei are employed in the Omaha district. Every letter that has been received speaks highly of the industry of evacuees who have accepted positions in the district. The general tone of the letters are, "We like Japanese Americans and wish we had more of them."

At a meeting held on October 10 with the field staff and administrative staff of USES, the relocation program was discussed at length, and we will now have ten USES field workers making approximately 700 employer contacts per month. These employees are to lay the ground work with a follow-up call by RA officials to discuss in detail the employing of Issei and Nisei workers.

The local metropolitan newspaper for Monday, October 9, carried a front-page ad of two five-inch columns headed, "Wanted: Men and Women!" The present need for workers in Omaha is 2,500 men and women to meet increased schedules in war plants. It is estimated by WMC officials that this figure will increase to 8,000 in the near future. Many of these positions could be filled by Issei or Nisei.

Partial List of Jobs for Men - Issei Preferred

SHEEP RANCH WORKERS Issei bachelors preferred	Noel Cover, who operates a large sheep ranch in the western part of the Omaha district - Cozad, Nebraska, - wishes to employ fifty Issei bachelors not over fifty-
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five years of age. Approximately thirty evacuees are employed on the Cover farm. A speaking knowledge of English is not required, and citizens are accepted only if they have had farm experience.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE
PACKERS

Issei acceptable

A wholesale fruit and vegetable firm in Omaha wishes to secure two men at once who have had experience in packing houses. This is a large, well-established, reputable firm. Working conditions are very good. The rate of pay is 58¢ per hour, overtime over 40 hours with probable amount of overtime amounting to 14 hours. This is permanent work which the end of the war would not terminate.

MEAT PACKINGHOUSE
WORKERS

Issei desired

Meat packing companies in Omaha are especially in need of laborers for the fall and winter run of livestock which will soon be starting. Several Issei have been working with the packing company for years. There are many departments in which laborers are needed. The starting salary is 70¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hours. Double time is paid on the seventh consecutive day worked.

BENCH AND GREENHOUSE
WORKER

Issei preferred

Opportunity for Issei or Nisei capable of bench work and handling greenhouse flowers. Starting salary \$25 per week; raise to \$50 within 90 days if capable. Four-room house with light, water and gas available. There is an option to buy the greenhouse business which includes five acres. The sale price is \$15,000.

CORN SHUCKERS

Issei desired

A farm operator in Dawson County, Nebraska, will hire six Issei to shuck corn at ten cents per bushel. This should average \$5.00 per day. Share-crop arrangements can be worked out for the 1945 crop year. Five-room house furnished with lights and water in the house available.

HOTEL WORKERS

Issei preferred

There are numerous hotel positions open to Issei as cooks, salaries average \$40 per week and up with meals.

YARDMAN

Issei preferred

Elderly gentleman as yardman and some catering to care for two-acre yard and a few chickens. Some domestic work when time permits. Room in owner's home plus food and laundry. Salary \$45 during winter months and \$60 during summer. Salary increase to right person. Permanent position. Omaha.

SHEET METAL WORKERS

Issei acceptable

Issei or Nisei to make sheet-metal pipe and fittings, hand work and press machine work. Skilled or semi-skilled men preferred. Will take apprentice laborers. Wage 55¢ to 85¢ per hour. Average wage now being paid 75¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hours. 50 hour week.

DAIRY WORKERS

Issei preferred

Dairy worker in large retail dairy. Work in pasteurizing department and general duties connected with firm. Salary \$120 to start per month. Guaranteed raise of \$10 per month for two months. Capable persons have opportunity for advancement.

WELDERS
Issei acceptable

Cast-iron block and cylinder-head welder. 80¢ to \$1.00 per hour to start. Experienced and capable man could receive \$1.25 per hour. 44 hour week. Motor workers, laborers, motor-disk assemblers, and assemblers. 50¢ to 85¢ per hour depending upon ability. 50 hour week.

FREIGHT ELEVATOR
OPERATOR
Issei requested

A large local department store will employ an Issei as a freight receiver and freight elevator operator at a salary of \$120 per month.

Other Jobs for Men - Nisei Only

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE
WHOLESALE

Workers in fruit and vegetable wholesale company. Salary 60¢ per hour plus time and a half over 40 hours. Nisei now employed averaging \$175 per month. Room available in residence of Nisei employed in the city. Grand Island.

LABORERS

Two workers needed for large smelting and refining company doing general plant work. Salary 73 3/4¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Average work week 48 hours with possibility of increase in overtime hours.

LABORERS AND CARPENTERS

Laborers and carpenters needed for construction work at Grand Island, Nebraska. Rate of pay for laborers 70¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hours with a maximum 63 hour week. Laborers will be reimbursed for transportation fare after seven days' continuous work. Rate of pay for carpenters, \$1.25 per hour with time and a half over 40 hours, 63 hour work week. Board and room can be had on the project at \$2.00 per day. AFL union affiliation.

Opportunities for Women

ALTERATIONISTS

Women's clothing store will accept Nisei or Issei. Salary \$22.50 per week. Omaha.

ASSEMBLY-LINE
WORKERS

Guarantee of 40¢ per hour. Average from 45¢ to 63¢ per hour. After two weeks, employees to be paid by piece work. Time and a half over 40 hours. 52 hours per week.

Domestic

We have a number of good part-time domestic positions for young people who would like to go to school and work for their room and board. Full-time domestic jobs for single girls are plentiful, paying up to \$20 per week plus complete maintenance.

DOMESTIC COUPLE

Man as chauffeur and yardman. Woman to take full charge of cooking and serving and general household duties. Salary \$165 per month with maintenance. Omaha.

Farm Opportunities

There are numerous farm opportunities available in our district. In Dawson and Buffalo counties in Nebraska, share-crop offers with particularly good housing arrangements are available. These offers are in an old, well-established irrigation district. The Tri-County Area also offers good opportunities for long time and permanent relocation. Ask your relocation program officer for full information.

III. HOUSING

There is still a shortage of furnished houses and apartments as well as unfurnished houses and apartments in the urban areas. This is especially true in Omaha and in the cities and towns which have essential war work. In the rural communities this shortage is not acute. There is no difficulty in finding rooms for single boys and girls. We have an arrangement with the Salvation Army which will take care of temporary housing at a very nominal rate for any family coming to Omaha.

Persons accepting positions with companies doing essential war work are eligible to live in war-housing units if any are available. These units are unfurnished. The kitchens, however, usually are equipped with built-in cupboards, a stove, and a Coolerator. Rents average around \$42.50 per month.

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

A community invitation is extended to prospective resettlers wishing to come to the metropolitan area of Kansas City. For the remaining half of western Missouri and all of Kansas, the invitation is restricted to an advance approval plan.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Right now there is a greater demand for Japanese Americans in the Kansas City district than ever before. On the whole, resettlers have worked out very successfully and as a result employers who have previously employed evacuees are daily asking for additional help as well as a number of new firms which are being contacted. In most cases Isseis are more than welcome, and in those instances where an Issei feels that he may have a language difficulty, it is possible to place him in a plant where there are other Japanese Americans.

A recently negotiated agreement with the Security Division of the Seventh Service Command will expedite clearance for individuals wishing to go into war industries. According to our experience a maximum number of five weeks is necessary to secure clearance for facilities important to the war effort, and we have reason to believe that this period will be definitely reduced in the near future.

A recently extended check of the opinions of resettlers conclusively proves that public sentiment in the area is definitely good. In almost every instance resettlers have said that they have not run into any discrimination and have been treated fairly by the general public and their employers.

Jobs Open for Issei or Nisei - Issei Preferred

In all of our contacts recently we have specifically asked whether or not firms would employ Issei and virtually every case, unless there are restrictions which make it necessary for firms to hire citizens, we have found companies willing and anxious to employ older men. The following jobs are open for both Issei and Nisei and in most instances Isseis are preferred as there is a greater possibility that they will continue to work for a longer period of time.

ALUMINUM FACTORY WORK
Issei acceptable

A large aluminum company will employ 30 evacuees at their Kansas City plant. Applicants should weigh 150 lbs. or more, and be able to pass a physical examination. Starting wage is 75¢ an hour time and a half over 40 hours. Minimum work week 52 hours. Interested Nisei should complete PSQ Form 58, Aliens should complete Form WD-FUGO 301.

AUTO MECHANICS
Issei acceptable

\$40 to \$65 per week. Automobile mechanical experience necessary. Company will furnish tools.

COOK
Issei preferred

Fry and dinner cook in cafe owned by a Japanese who has lived in Mid-West for a number of years. \$35 per week plus meals and uniform, raise to \$50 if capable. 6 days per week, 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. shift.

DENTAL TECHNICIANS
Issei acceptable

60¢ to \$1.00 per hour depending upon skill. Construct dentures, bridges and all types of prosthetic work.

DRAFTSMAN
Issei acceptable

For expanding engineering company designing tools. Manager has employed Nisei before. This is essential work subcontracting and designing for war industries. 80¢ an hour to start, time and a half over 40 hours.

FACTORY WORKERS
Issei preferred

A well-known manufacturer of corn products wants workers. Work consists of loading and unloading manufactured supplies of finished products, operating simple production equipment such as conveyors, pumps, motors, etc. Starting wage from 71½¢ to 84½¢ per hour, overtime after 8 hours per day and 40 hours per week. Open shop basis with CIO affiliations.

FACTORY WORKERS
Issei preferred

Paper box manufacturer wants men as laborers. 70¢ an hour, 52 hour week, time and a half over 40 hrs. 5¢ an hour more for working night shift. Piece work also offered, can earn \$1.00 per hour and better.

HOUSEMAN AND CHAUFFEUR
Issei preferred

Combined duties of houseman and chauffeur. \$35 per week plus room and board.

JANITOR
Issei preferred

For college in Liberty, Missouri. \$100 per month plus unfurnished cottage on campus. Clean classrooms and general janitorial work around college building.

LENS GRINDER
Issei acceptable

50¢ to 80¢ per hour. Do multiple grinding, polishing, and blocking of lenses. Time and a half over 40 hours.

LIGHT FACTORY
Issei preferred

3 men to do light factory work which consists of covering and lining cases. Also to do mill work and operate wood working machine. Permanent employment. Starting wage 50¢ to 60¢ per hour depending on experience and aptitude. Time and a half over 40 hours.

LINOTYPE OPERATOR
Issei acceptable

80¢ an hour. Time and a half over 40 hours.

PACKING HOUSE WORKERS
Issei preferred

Large meat packing company needs workers in the beef killing, sheep and calf killing, animal feed and hide cellar departments. 70¢ an hour, plus time and a half over 40 hours. Average work week 53 hours.

GREENHOUSE WORKER
Issei preferred

Elderly Issei man or couple to help grow mushrooms. 60¢ an hour, 53 hour week. Living accommodations available in trailer which is furnished with electric lights, oil heating stove, and other conveniences. Year round work.

SHARE CROP FOR FARMER
Issei preferred

130 acres of land for truck gardening. Land is level and can be irrigated. Operate with owner on 50-50 basis.

FARM COUPLE FOR ESTATE
Issei preferred

\$100 per month, living quarters. Man to help farm manager care for 20 acre estate farm planted with fruit trees, berries, and vegetables, also care for 2 horses, 3 milk cows, 6 pigs, and 150 chickens, and small greenhouse. Woman not obliged to work in home of owner but will make butter, clean fowl and help husband.

LANDSCAPE GARDENER
Issei acceptable

Employment opportunity for landscape man with drafting experience and greenhouse work. Should be 35 or older. Salary open. Excellent opportunity, year round employment. Housing arranged for by employer.

MILL WORK
Issei acceptable

Manufacture animal feed. 65¢ per hour first two weeks, will raise to 70¢ thereafter. Time and a half after 40 hours. 50 to 60 hours per week.

Other Jobs for Men - Nisei only.

DENTAL TECHNICIAN

A-1 dental technician is needed for one of the best dental laboratories in the country. Man must be able to do all around work. Starting salary, \$100 per week with a raise to \$125 per week. Guaranteed contract for four years. Please supply this office with credentials and request for further information

FOUNDRY WORKERS

6 men 18 to 50 years of age as foundry helpers at Atchison, Kansas. Union affiliation with the United Mine Workers. This is an essential industry. Starting wage is 60¢ per hour, time and a half over 8 hours. Cost of living is low in Atchison.

WAITERS

Room and board, \$40 month plus tips. Average monthly earnings between \$150 and \$200 month. One day off per week. Employer gives party once a month for employees at his expense. Japanese food in abundance.

SHIPPING CLERK

An office supplies company desires shipping clerk to look after stock and inventory. Hours of work from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 8:15 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Pay will be \$138 per month. If able to repair mimeograph machines, can earn more money.

ELEVATOR OPERATORS and BELL BOY SERVICE

Operate passenger elevator and bell boy service. Very light and easy work. \$60 per month plus tips.

Jobs for Women

GENERAL DUTY NURSES

Three openings. 8 hour day, 48 hour week. \$100 per month plus board, room, and laundry.

KITCHEN WORK

Kitchen helpers in hospital at Atchison, Kansas. \$12 per week plus room and board.

LIGHT FACTORY WORK

50¢ to 60¢ an hour depending on experience to do light factory work covering and lining luggage. 25 girls wanted.

FACTORY WORK

Box factory will employ Issei or Nisei women or girls to do light factory work. Hourly wage 50¢ per hour and upward. Piece work is also offered and very good wages are earned by those employed on this basis.

CLERKS and TYPISTS

Several firms are in need of clerk-typists with starting salaries from \$80 to \$125 per month depending on one's experience and ability.

Domestic Positions

There still continues to be a strong demand for domestic help. Jobs for single girls with room and board range from a weekly wage of \$15 to \$25 for a 5½ day work week. Offers for married couples range from \$100 to \$150 per month. Also available are combination arrangements where the wife may work for the joint room and board of herself and husband; so that the husband may take employment elsewhere.

This office has recently placed several students as part-time workers in fine homes. The compensation is usually about \$5.00 per week plus carfare in addition to room and board. Many similar openings are available for students wishing to attend college or high school.

III. HOUSING

The shortage of housing is still a major problem to Kansas City Resettlers. Unfurnished residences for rent are very scarce. Difficult but not impossible to find are 2 to 4 room furnished apartments with rents ranging from \$35 to \$60 per month. Several families have solved their housing needs by purchasing homes in good neighborhoods. Other than on week-ends accommodations for single persons and couples can be provided immediately. The YWCA will readily accept single men. Although there is no YWCA dormitory, the National Training School for Christian Girls has at least five room available for single girls where board as well as a fine room is available at very nominal charges. Many Nisei girls have taken advantage of this housing offer in the past.

Family heads are advised to come to Kansas City alone and not call their families until housing is established. A number of families have thus been able to relocate successfully through the family head finding satisfactory accommodations in advance. An Issei has rented a large home from his employer and has accommodations for one or two families. He now has several roomers boarding with him. The War Housing Center has agreed to make available single and double apartments to eligible evacuees employed in essential industry.

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The Central Area



F I E L D B U L L E T I N

List of communities open for invitation, summary of current relocation opportunities, and review of current housing situation for Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Eastern Nebraska and Eastern South Dakota.

DEVELOPMENTS IN SENTIMENT

Throughout the Central Area the entire WRA staff and our cooperating committees are pointing out the achievements of Japanese Americans. As a result of this work we are all convinced that sentiment in every community open for relocation throughout our area is definitely favorable and that no one need have any fear that he will not be treated satisfactorily. Indicative of this attitude has been the tremendous response this office has received as a result of the distribution of a few hundred copies of "Nisei in Uniform".

Good will toward Japanese Americans is reflected in every letter received. The following are typical:

"I have been watching with a great deal of interest the reaction of the fair minded American citizens and I am very happy to note, especially in the Christian Century and other magazines, that the conscience of our loyal Americans is being awakened with reference to the unfair deal that was given to Japanese Americans. I sincerely hope that the day may not be far hence when this wrong will be corrected. May I add that we have four Nisei girls in our hospital, who are making their mark in our training school. They are lovely, sweet, conscientious girls, and we are certainly making no apologies to any one for admitting them." - Superintendent, Evangelical Deaconess Hospital.

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"I have read this booklet (Nisei in Uniform) with deep interest and am sure that the booklet will certainly do much to correct the almost universal public misunderstanding concerning American-born Japanese. While I know that the funds of the Department will not permit, it would indeed be fortunate and a grand thing if a copy of the same could be placed in at least every serviceman's home.

"It has certainly dispelled the erroneous thought I had, that all Japanese wheresoever born were enemies of our country. I am indeed grateful for this booklet and thank you for sending it to me." - A well-known public official.

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"I think we should encourage the loyalty of these American born Japanese and should, as you say, dissociate them from the Japanese enemy. One of the outstanding characteristics of our form of government is that we take all the different races, creeds and nationalities afford them equality and freedom and finally fuse them into the great race of American people. No doubt these Japanese citizens will contribute much toward that race. My policy here in South Dakota has been to encourage their location here wherever they are needed and wherever the people want them." - M. Q. Sharpe, Governor, South Dakota.

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Bearing out our conclusion that sentiment is definitely favorable is an article which appeared in the Midget Tribune, a paper published in Des Moines by the Nisei Hospitality Committee:

"A great difference in the attitude of prospective employers has been noted within the last year. Des Moines has been recommended for ideal relocation due to the general acceptance offered by its citizens; however, jobs were rather limited to certain professions and industries. Much credit is due to those who have started at the bottom and worked up the reputation for others who were to follow, thus making it simpler for each evacuee to enter into his chosen profession. In comparison with 1943, the year of 1944 has been marked as one of many wonderful opportunities, brought about with openings for physicians in hospitals, laboratory technicians, a pharmacist, a skilled linotype operator, war production work, and many other industrial and service positions. The way now looks clearer for those who plan to make Des Moines their home."

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Probably what Bill Hosokawa says of Des Moines can be said of all of our major area of relocation in the Central Area:

"Most evacuees who have been in the tall corn country for a short while soon realize that they are accepted as full-fledged members of the community. One is not restricted, segregated, or relegated just because his ancestors happened to have come from Japan.

"The attitude of midwesterners - which seems to be that a man should be accepted for what he is and what he can do and not what he was born - is a reassuring contrast to the attitudes we have been exposed to in other places."

Important to prospective relocatees, however is some advice from Bill:

"Forget your camp and coast complex and remember that you are being accepted by this community as the equal of any man. A cur that slinks around expecting to be booted usually does get a kick thrown his way, and the same is true of human beings. Be proud of the fact that you have a job, that you

are a free American again doing usual work instead of killing time in a center.

"Whether you intend to stay here or move on, be sure you are a credit to the 100,000 other evacuees trying to get a new start." - Bill Hosokawa, employed by Des Moines Register and Tribune Company.

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

The entire State of Iowa with the exception of Fremont and Page counties and possibly in the vicinity of Muscatine is open for community invitation to anyone who wishes to resettle.

Names of committee chairmen in Iowa are as follows:

Robert Root, 101 51st Street, Des Moines, Iowa.
John M. Ely, 414 Guaranty Building, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
J. P. Salz, 112 Franklin Street and
Leif Schreiner, War Manpower Commission Office, Waterloo, Iowa
Joe Bransby, General Secretary, Y.M.C.A., Davenport, Iowa
Rev. Chas. S. Hempstead, 1141 Main St., Dubuque, Iowa.

In a number of other cities formal committees have not been organized but interested individuals are listed who will give assistance to any evacuee who calls upon them for information or aid.

Spencer, Iowa. Miss Velma Baker, Secretary, War Activities
Committee
Clinton, Iowa. Mr. Fulmer, Y.M.C.A.
Muscatine, Iowa. Rev. Guy Hunting, 407 Van Horn St., and
Rev. Judson T. Perkins, 1005 Oregon St.
Ames, Iowa. Mr. & Mrs. Edw. S. Allen, 509 Welch Avenue
Hampton, Iowa. R. R. Stuart
Pocahontas, Iowa. Max Naylor, County Extension Director
New Hampton, Iowa. Miss Gretchen Garst
Sioux City, Iowa. Mr. I. E. Larson, Executive Secretary, Family
Welfare Bureau.
Marshalltown, Iowa. Rev. B. T. Trickey, Congregational Church
Fort Dodge, Iowa. Mr. Geo. R. D. Kramer and
Mr. Floyd D. Huling, County Extension Director.
Newton, Iowa. Mrs. Nell Tyler, 739 1st Ave. East
Keosauqua, Iowa. Joe Stong, County Attorney
Burlington, Iowa. Miss Sarah McCreary, Secretary, Y.W.C.A.
Iowa City, Iowa. Mr. John Patton, U.S.E.S.
Estherville, Iowa. M. A. Balkema, County Extension Director
Storm Lake, Iowa. Miss Chloe Sargent, County Director of Social
Welfare
Ottumwa, Iowa. R. E. Zeigler, Secretary, Y.M.C.A.

As a general rule, we find it advisable for evacuees coming into the state to come by way of Des Moines where they can have temporary accommodations at the Hostel. We also find that most railroad connections are made through Des Moines, so it is not out of their way to make a stop-over here for a day or so.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

We have had considerable activity on the part of the Waterloo Relocation Committee towards securing a number of job offers, securing housing and assisting with community integration. Just recently we have placed three Nisei girls and one Nisei boy in this area. The co-chairman of the Committee is the manager of U.S.E.S. and also a member of the American Legion. The entire staff of the U.S.E.S. is well acquainted with relocation work and all of their staff are in a position to counsel a new relocatee. They are also very anxious to develop opportunities for evacuees when we do not have a current offer on file to fit their skill.

One of the recent offers received from Waterloo is from an old established tire and battery company. They are in need of an experienced auto mechanic, lubrication man and tire man. Wages run from \$165. to \$190. per month plus bonus, which amounts to approximately \$10 of the monthly wage. They will also consider inexperienced men and will pay from \$125. to \$150. per month depending upon ability. Other recent offers are from a laundry company for a presser, wage 65¢ per hour, union membership not required. This firm can use other laborers on positions paying up to 55¢ per hour. A concrete products company will pay laborers 65¢ per hour and as soon as they can qualify as a pipe machine operator, they will receive 80¢ per hour. A machinery company needs foundry laborers starting at 70¢ per hour. A box and crating company needs laborers starting at 70¢ per hour.

In the case of family groups coming to Waterloo to accept a definite job offer, U.S.E.S. has agreed to work out other jobs for other members of the family so that all would be employed.

In Des Moines, the War Training School, a part of the Des Moines Technical High School, has classes open to anyone in welding, machine shop operation, mechanical drawing, and power sewing machine operation. Plans are now in progress to open a class in electrical refrigeration. It will be necessary that they enroll 15 students before the class can be started. They will be interested in knowing of any Nisei who will wish to take this course.

Last year we had 45 Japanese Americans who completed various classes at the War Training School and are now working in the field in which they were trained. The school is open 16 hours per day and we have many opportunities for employment in hotels, night clubs and restaurants, so an individual can be self-supporting while attending school.

Through the County Extension Director in Jones County, located in the east central part of the state, we have developed three farm offers for either Issei or Nisei. These three offers are within several miles of each other and are for individuals who are interested in general farm work. Employment will be open starting the latter part of February, 1945, although if anyone were interested in coming immediately, we would arrange for some other kind of work until this farm work starts. This would be an opportunity for three families to live within a 2-mile radius. They will, therefore, be in a position to visit back and forth. One tenant house on one of the farms is completely modern with electricity, bath and toilet. Both of the other two homes have electricity, and one has water piped to the house. All of these openings will pay \$100 per month plus housing and the customary farm commodities, such as milk eggs, meat and fuel.

The details concerning a farm opportunity in Des Moines are as follows: Employer is interested in securing a farm family; either a couple or a family with 1 or 2 children, who would do the work on his farm and share the crops. The farm has 15 tillable acres for vegetable farming, the other 25 acres being in timber. There is an acre of strawberries, and facilities for a laying flock of 500 chickens and space for 1500 broilers. The employer is willing to put up 50% of the capital for any enterprise on the farm and will share the profits 50-50. He will also do the plowing and assist with some of the harvesting. Quarters for the family are furnished. There is a water system on some of the land to assure crop maturity.

A hotel in Mason City, Iowa, that has employed a Japanese American chef for the past year, is interested in employing a couple. The wife would work in the home of the hotel owner, and the man could either work in the home or in the hotel, whichever he might elect. If he is interested in cooking, they would like to have him work with the Japanese American chef now employed. There is sufficient room so that the family could have at least one child, providing the child was of school age, so he would not require regular care on the part of the mother. For a man, wife and one child, they would pay \$130. per month plus complete maintenance. If there were more children involved or no children at all, the salary would be adjusted. Also, if the man had had considerable cooking experience, the wage would be increased considerably. We have had considerable contact with the hotel manager as well as the Japanese American chef and would rate this as a very good place for a couple to be employed.

Family Relocation Opportunities - Housing Furnished

CUSTODIAN

Issei desired

A college in Oskaloosa, Iowa has asked for a custodian. Remuneration--a four room modern apartment with all utilities furnished free, besides a salary on a sliding scale, according to the Quaker plan, based on the needs and ability of the man. This is a permanent position. The man who has held it is retiring at this time after forty years of service. The family accepting this position will be in a very favorable environment and a part of the college community.

GENERAL FARM WORK

Issei acceptable

One of the most prominent dairies, 1½ miles from Des Moines is re-building its herd after having sold out two years ago. The manager of the farm has had recent experience in working with both Nisei and Issei and is very partial towards their work and praises what he has seen very highly. They want a man to start work at once on this farm doing general farm work and learning about the dairy business. The manager will work with him and instruct him. For the time being the man will receive \$75 to \$80 per month plus maintenance and live in the manager's home, having a private room. As soon as the work warrants, the salary will be increased. In the very near future, they expect that a four-room house on the farm will be vacant and at such time the worker could send for his family.

FARM WORK

Issei acceptable

A fruit farmer owns a 55 acre farm 11 miles east of Des Moines. This farm contains 1200 apple trees, 1200 plum trees, 300 pear trees, 200 cherry trees, and about 5 acres devoted to walnuts, hickory nuts and pecans. There is one half acre of strawberries and a few blackberries and raspberries. There is a seven room frame house, not modern, which will be available for the tenant. There will be three milk cows on this farm, one of which will be turned over to the tenant for his own milk and cream. He will have a 2 or 3 acre garden plot, and if he is a permanent employee, will also be provided with a hog for meat. This farmer was born and reared on this farm and is well along in years. He is very sympathetic towards the program and hopes that we can get him either an Issei or Nisei couple with a family. His needs are immediate since apples are being picked at present. He will pay \$80 per month to start and will give practically an immediate raise to his worker if capable.

Jobs for Men

AUTO MECHANIC

Issei acceptable

\$25 per week to start and raise to \$30 if satisfactory. Help repair trucks, wash and grease cars. No experience necessary as employer expects to train. Waterloo.

CLOTHES PRESSER

Issei desired

65¢ per hour. Press clothes on steam press machine. No experience necessary. Waterloo, Iowa.

PRESSERS

Issei wanted

Pressing in dry cleaning shop. 66¢ an hour and raise to 71¢ an hour after 3 months. No experience necessary as will train pressing operation. Des Moines, Iowa.

LABORERS

Issei Bachelors acceptable

65¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Handle cement, set up pipe forms, and general work in casting pipe, loading trucks and cars. Openings for three men. If men can qualify for pipe machine operator, wage is 80¢ per hour. Waterloo, Iowa.

WAREHOUSE WORKER

Issei acceptable

Work for wholesale paper jobber. 61¢ per hour. Fairly heavy duties so employee should weigh around 135# to 150#. Permanent position with post war possibilities. Des Moines, Iowa.

FOUNDRY WORKERS

Issei acceptable

Start at 70¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hrs. As soon as ability is shown will be raised to 75¢ an hour. No experience necessary as men will be trained. Waterloo, Iowa.

FISH MARKET

Issei desired

50¢ an hour. General work in fish market. No previous experience necessary. Des Moines, Iowa.

LUBRICATION MAN
Issei acceptable

\$165 to \$168 per month plus time and a half over 40 hours and a bonus at the end of year which averages 10% of salary. Should understand lubrication of various cars and some trucks. Most of the lubrication work will be done on passenger cars. If inexperienced, employer will train for 6 months at \$125 to \$150 per month. Waterloo, Iowa.

TIRE MAN
Issei acceptable

\$165 to \$168 per month plus time and a half over 40 hours and a bonus at end of year which averages 10% of salary. Should understand tire repair and re-capping. If inexperienced, will train for 6 months at \$125 to \$150 per month, Waterloo, Iowa.

STATIONARY ENGINEER
Issei acceptable

\$175 per month. Individual must qualify for third grade license and know how to operate high pressure boilers. Hours of work from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., 6 days per week. This position open in hospital in Sioux City, Iowa.

LAUNDRYMAN
Issei desired

For work in hospital. \$125 per month plus noon meal. No experience necessary but should be energetic and like this type of work. Sioux City, Iowa.

Jobs for Women

DIET KITCHEN WORKER
Issei preferred

\$60 per month plus meals. Assist with different duties in diet kitchen of hospital. Another Issei woman now employed in same department. Des Moines, Ia.

PHARMACIST'S ASSISTANT

Girl to aid a registered pharmacist. \$60 to \$65 per month plus meals. 8 hours per day, 6 days per week. Sioux City, Iowa.

LAUNDRY WOMAN

Woman to assist in laundry and mangle room. \$75 per month and meals while on duty. Sioux City, Iowa.

PLAIN COOK

\$75 per month plus meals. Duties would be to prepare a night meal for approximately 25 employees. Hours of work from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Sioux City, Ia.

III. Housing

The Housing Committee in Des Moines is well organized so they can handle practically any number of family units and provide suitable housing for them. Rents for furnished apartments and furnished houses run from \$40 to \$60, and for unfurnished homes from \$35 to \$45 per month.

The furniture pool operated by the Friends Hostel is very active and in all probability could outfit several families, at least temporarily until the evacuees could secure some of their own things from storage.

In other localities, such as Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Clinton and Sioux City, housing is somewhat scarce, but we have active committees or interested individuals who are in a position to assist with the housing problem in cities outside of Des Moines.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
1510 Fidelity Building
Kansas City, 6, Missouri

FIELD BULLETIN, Kansas City District

November 15, 1944

Mr. Francis P. O'Malley, Acting Relocation Officer

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I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

Again we extend a community invitation to all prospective resettlers wishing to relocate in Metropolitan Kansas City. The state of Kansas and the remaining half of Western Missouri is open on an advanced approval plan.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

As previously stated in our job summary of October 15 there is still a strong demand for Issei and Nisei in metropolitan Kansas City. Private industry where evacuees are presently employed are calling the office daily asking for additional evacuee help.

Since the issuance of our last job summary we have had occasion to check with a large broker as to business opportunities for evacuee business men. The results were most gratifying. There are a variety of business opportunities. Some of these opportunities require a capital investment as little as \$1,500.00 for a small cleaning and pressing business to \$10,000.00 for a grocery store that does a gross monthly business of \$4,500.00. This figure included fixtures and stock (stock subject to inventory).

Jobs for Men

ALUMINUM FACTORY WORK
Issei acceptable

A national aluminum company will employ 30 evacuees at their Kansas City plant. Applicants should weigh 150 lbs. or more, and be able to pass a physical examination. Starting wage is 75¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Minimum work week 52 hours. Interested Nisei should complete PSQ Form 58, Aliens should complete Form WD-FIGO 301. 2 Niseis now employed.

AUTO MECHANICS
Issei acceptable

\$40 to \$65 per week. Automobile mechanical experience necessary. Company will furnish tools.

BALING PRESS OPERATORS

Three men to operate baling press and general labor. Will be trained. Average 8 to 9 hours a day for 6 day week, time and a half over 40 hours. 8 to 14 hours overtime weekly. Hourly pay is 60¢. A.F. of L. closed shop. Firm manufactures wiping cloths.

COOK
Issci preferred

Fry and dinner cook in cafe owned by a Japanese who has lived in Mid-West for a number of years. \$35 per week plus meals and uniform, raise to \$50 if capable. 6 days per week, 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. shift, also day shift if so desired. Independence, Missouri, located 10 miles east of Kansas City.

DENTAL TECHNICIANS
Issci acceptable

60¢ to over \$1.00 per hour depending upon skill. Construct dentures, bridges and all types of prosthetic work. 3 Nisci dental technicians now receiving top wages.

DRAFTSMAN
Issci acceptable

For expanding engineering company designing tools. Manager has employed Nisci before. This is essential work subcontracting and designing for war industries. 80¢ an hour to start, time and a half over 40 hours.

FACTORY WORKERS
Issci preferred

A well-known manufacturer of corn products will employ more men. Work consists of loading and unloading manufactured supplies of finished products, operating simple production equipment such as conveyors, pumps, motors, etc. Starting wage from 71½¢ per hour, with rapid advances depending on ability. Overtime after 8 hours per day and 40 hours per week. Open shop basis with CIO affiliations. 5 vacancies now employed.

FACTORY WORKERS
Issci preferred

Paper box manufacturer wants men as laborers. 70¢ an hour, 52 hour week, time and a half over 40 hours. 5¢ an hour more for working night shift. An Issci and Nisci now employed.

FACTORY WORKERS
Issci wanted

Issci and Nisci men wanted by nationally known firm manufacturing corrugated paper containers. Essential job. Start at 66¢ hour. Piece rate pays about \$1.25 an hour. 10 Issci and Niscis now employed. Non-union.

GREENHOUSE WORKER
Issci preferred

Elderly Issci man or couple to help grow mushrooms. 60¢ an hour, 53 hour week. Living accommodations available in trailer which is furnished with electric lights, oil heating stove, and other conveniences. Year round work.

HOUSEMAN AND CHAUFFEUR
Issci preferred

Combined duties of houseman and chauffeur. \$35 per week plus room and board.

LANDSCAPE GARDENER
Issci acceptable

Employment opportunity for landscape man with drafting experience and greenhouse work. Should be 35 or older. Salary open. Excellent opportunity, year round employment. Housing arranged for by employer.

LENS GRINDER
Issci acceptable

50¢ to 80¢ per hour. Do multiple grinding, polishing, and blocking of lenses. Time and a half over 40 hrs. Issci now employed.

LIGHT FACTORY
Issci preferred

3 men to do light factory work which consists of covering and lining cases. Also to do mill work and operate wood working machine. Permanent employment. Starting wage 50¢ to 60¢ per hour depending on experience and aptitude. Time and a half over 40 hours. Nisci now employed.

LINOTYPE OPERATOR
Issci acceptable

80¢ an hour to start. Time and a half over 40 hrs.

MILL WORK
Issci acceptable

Manufacture animal feed. 65¢ per hour first two weeks, will raise to 70¢ thereafter. Time and a half after 40 hours. 50 to 60 hours per week.

PACKING HOUSE WORKERS
Issci preferred

Large meat packing company needs workers in the beef killing, sheep and calf killing, animal feed and hide cellar departments. 70¢ an hour, plus time and a half over 40 hours. Average work week, 53 hours.

SHOE REPAIRMEN
Issci preferred

More cobblers are wanted in shops in Kansas City. Average earnings about \$45 a week. CIO union. 5 Issci and Nisci now employed.

TIRE PATCHING
Issci acceptable

Men for general work in tire shop, patching tubes, changing tires, etc. Start at 60¢ to 65¢ per hour, raise to 70 to 75¢ if capable. Overtime after 40 hours.

WAITERS
Issci wanted

Room and board, \$40 month plus tips. Average monthly earnings from \$150 to \$200 month. One day off per week. Employer gives party once a month for employees at his expense.

Jobs for Women

CLERKS AND TYPISTS

Several firms are in need of clerk-typists with starting salaries from \$80 to \$125 per month depending on one's experience and ability.

FACTORY WORK

Girls to work in paper box factory. 50¢ an hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Several Nisci boys employed in same factory.

LIGHT FACTORY WORK

25 girls wanted to cover and line luggage. 50¢ to 60¢ an hour depending on experience.

Farm Offers

SHARE CROP FOR FARMER
Issci preferred

130 acres of land for truck gardening. Land is level and can be irrigated. Operate with owner on 50-50 basis.

FARM COUPLE FOR ESTATE
Issai preferred

\$100 per month, living quarters. Man to help farm manager care for 20 acre estate farm planted with fruit trees, berries, and vegetables, also care for 2 horses, 3 milk cows, 6 pigs, and 150 chickens, and small greenhouse. Woman not obliged to work in home of owner but will make butter, clean fowl and help husband.

Domestic Jobs

Fine domestic offers are still being submitted to this office in good numbers, mainly because of the excellent reports on evacuees now employed in K. C. homes. Particularly attractive are jobs where two girls, or sisters, or a couple may work in the same home or neighborhood. Several offers have been received in which employers will pay \$75.00 a month for each girl, with board and room, though most positions start at \$15.00 per week.

Couples are offered up to \$150.00 a month and up. Either of the couple does the cooking while the other does housework. There are a few families with children; while the parents are employed in the home, the children are free to attend the nearest public schools. Very satisfactory placements have also been made for a number of students, both high school and college age. In exchange for light daily chores, the student is given board and room in a fine home and sometimes a little spending money in addition.

Since experience is ordinarily not required, it will be very easy for a Nisei girl to adapt herself to the simple routine tasks of housekeeping and perhaps learn something about cooking. There may be persons who believe that the "shock" of relocating may be too great. A year's employment as a domestic will assist those who may desire a more gradual return to normal living. In fact, many Nisei girls have successfully utilized domestic positions as stepping stones to better opportunities in business and other fields.

III. HOUSING

The housing situation has eased a little in Kansas City for those who are engaged in essential industry. The War Housing Center through its public conversion program has taken several large homes and divided them up into small units--apartments consisting of living room, kitchen, bath, and one or two bedrooms. These apartments, available to Japanese Americans, are all newly redecorated with built-in cupboard, gas stove, and refrigerator with the following utilities furnished--gas, electric light, water, and heat. Apartments with one bedroom rent for \$42.50 per month and apartments with two bedrooms rent for \$47.00 per month. The several resettlers who have availed themselves of these units have expressed themselves as being very well pleased.

Furnished apartments aside from those mentioned are still difficult to find. Medium priced hotels, the Y.M.C.A., as well as boarding houses offer accommodations for single individuals. The price range in this category is from \$4.50 per week to \$9.00 and \$10.00 per week where meals are furnished.

The National Training School for Girls offer a limited number of accommodations. The surroundings are very home like and immaculately clean. A room with two meals a day can be had for as little as \$7.00 per week.

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
202 City Natl. Bank Bldg.
Omaha 2, Nebraska

FIELD BULLETIN, Omaha District

November 15, 1944

William K. Holland, Relocation Officer

Jackson 8030

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

<u>Community</u>	<u>Person to Contact</u>
Omaha, Nebraska	War Relocation Authority
Lincoln, Nebraska	Reverend Drew, 1417 R Street
Kearney, Nebraska	Reverend William D. Eckel, 217 E. 30th Street
Holdrege, Nebraska.	Mr. W. R. Batie
Lexington, Nebraska	Reverend Charles W. Shedd
Cozad, Nebraska	Mr. Noel Cover

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Current relocation opportunities in the entire Omaha District are good with a wide variety of job offers for skilled and semi-skilled workers as well as common laborers, hotel and restaurant workers; and domestics.

Practically the entire area is open on community invitation. A recent trip to the territory east of the river in South Dakota reveals that sentiment is good. Some of the job offers received in South Dakota are made a part of this summary.

Jobs for Men

CARPENTERS
Nisei only

\$1.25 per hour, 70 hour week, 10 hour day. Board and room at \$2.00 per day four miles from the place of employment. Transportation will be furnished to and from work. Individuals will be paid for travelling time. AFL union. Time and a half overtime. Grand Island, Nebraska

BRICK LAYERS Nisei only	\$1.57 $\frac{1}{2}$ per hour, 70 hour week, time and a half over 40 hours, 10 hour day. Board and room at \$2.00 per day four miles from place of employment available. Transportation furnished to and from work, and workers will be paid for travelling time. AFL union. Grand Island, Nebraska.
BREAKFAST COOK Issei acceptable	Salary \$60 per week plus meals. Adequate housing, furnished or unfurnished, available. Chamberland, South Dakota.
WELDERS Issei acceptable	Salary 70¢ to 90¢ per hour with time and a half. 55-60 hours per week. Omaha, Nebraska.
MACHINIST Issei acceptable	Salary 95¢ to \$1.10 per hour with time and a half. Omaha, Nebraska.
FRUIT and VEGETABLE WHOLESALE Nisei only	Workers in fruit and vegetable wholesale company. Salary 60¢ per hour plus time and a half over 40 hrs. Nisei now employed averaging \$175 per month. Room available in residence of Nisei employed in the city. Grand Island, Nebraska.
LABORERS Nisei only	Two workers needed for large smelting and refining company doing general plant work. Salary 73 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per hour, time and a half over 40 hours. Average work week 48 hours with possibility of increase in overtime work.
SHEEP RANCH WORKERS Issei preferred	Noel Cover, who operates a large sheep ranch in the western part of the Omaha district - Cozad, Nebraska, wishes to employ fifty Issei bachelors not over fifty-five years of age. Approximately thirty evacuees are employed on the Cover farm. A speaking knowledge of English is not required, and citizens are accepted only if they have had farm experience.
FRUIT and VEGETABLE PACKERS Issei acceptable	A wholesale fruit and vegetable firm in Omaha wishes to secure two men at once who have had experience in packing houses. This is a large, well-established, reputable firm. Working conditions are very good. The rate of pay is 58¢ per hour, overtime over 40 hours. This is permanent work which the end of the war would not terminate.
BENCH and GREENHOUSE WORKER Issei preferred	Opportunity for Issei or Nisei capable of bench work and handling greenhouse flowers. Starting salary \$25 per week; raise to \$50 within 90 days if capable. There is an option to buy the greenhouse business which includes five acres. The sale price is \$15,000.
DAIRY WORKERS Issei preferred	Dairy worker in large retail dairy. Work in pasteurizing department and general duties connected with firm. Salary \$120 to start per month. Guaranteed raise of \$10 per month for two months. Capable persons have opportunity for advancement.

MEAT PACKINGHOUSE
WORKERS
Issei desired

Meat packing companies in Omaha are especially in need of laborers for the fall and winter run of livestock which will soon be starting. Several Issei have been working with the packing company for years. There are many departments in which laborers are needed. The starting salary is 70¢ per hour with time and a half over 40 hours. Double time is paid on the seventh consecutive day worked.

HOTEL WORKERS
Issei preferred

There are numerous hotel positions open to Issei as cooks, salaries average \$40 per week and up with meals.

YARDMAN
Issei preferred

Elderly gentleman as yardman and some catering to care for two-acre yard and a few chickens. Some domestic work when time permits. Room in owner's home plus food and laundry. Salary \$45 during winter months and \$60 during summer. Salary increase to right person. Permanent position.

Jobs for Women

POWER-MACHINE OPERATORS
Issei acceptable

Apprentice as well as experienced women wanted. Piece work basis but guarantee of 45¢ first eighty hours, 47½¢ second 80 hours, and 50¢ per hour thereafter. Experienced operator can average \$7.00 per day. Firm has navy contract. Omaha, Nebraska

ALTERATIONISTS
Issei acceptable

Women's clothing store will accept Nisei or Issei. Salary \$22.50 per week. Omaha, Nebraska

ASSEMBLY-LINE WORKERS

Guarantee of 40¢ per hour. Average from 45¢ to 63¢ per hour. After two weeks, employees to be paid by piece work. Time and a half over 40 hour. 52 hours per week.

Domestic

DOMESTIC COUPLE
Issei acceptable

Wife to do domestic work in home and man to do some yard work as well as work in employer's stores. (food market). Couple will be paid \$125 per month with maintenance. Living quarters consist of very nice semi-basement apartment. If man is capable fruit and vegetable man, salary will be raised up to \$200 per month. Issei with good knowledge of English acceptable. Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

DOMESTIC MAIDS

Two girls for domestic work wanted in denominational girls' school. Work will consist of cleaning at the school. Salary \$40 weekly with board and room. Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

FARM FAMILY

Excellent opportunity for small family on 50-50 share basis which includes increase of cattle, chickens, and crops. Strictly modern and attractive five-room house will be provided. Property includes fourteen acres of land. Employer willing to make any type of arrangement. Tenant may have outside employment during dull season on farm. Owner is substantial business man and would be a fine employer. This is an exceptionally high-class offer. Lincoln, Nebraska.

III. HOUSING

No change has occurred in the housing situation since the last report. Our Citizen's Committee is being reorganized and a strong sub-committee to work on housing will be appointed. We are hoping that this committee will be of assistance to us in locating furnished apartments and houses. There is no difficulty in finding rooms for single boys and girls. We have an arrangement with the Salvation Army which will take care of temporary housing at a very nominal rate for any family coming to Omaha.

Persons accepting positions with companies doing essential war work are eligible to live in war-housing units if available. These units are unfurnished. The kitchens, however, are equipped with built-in cupboards, a stove, and a Coolerator. Rents average around \$12.50 per month.

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
727 Paul Brown Building
St. Louis, Missouri

FIELD BULLETIN, St. Louis District

November 15, 1944

Dorothy N. Henschen, Acting Relocation Officer

Central 3200 - 294

I. COMMUNITIES OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INVITATION PLAN

An open community invitation is extended for the metropolitan St. Louis area. The remainder of eastern Missouri is restricted to an advance approval plan.

II. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The labor situation in St. Louis is practically the same as for last month. The largest demand for labor is still for semi-skilled people in essential industry. However, the best jobs are not offered to the centers but are found after an evacuee comes to St. Louis on our community invitation. As yet we have not found any difficulty in placing people in satisfactory positions.

Of interest to prospective resettlers is the postwar forecast for St. Louis which is relatively bright. Bearing out this forecast is a news article which appeared in the November 15 issue of the Post Dispatch relative to the expansion plans of the Ford Motor Company:

"The Ford Motor Company's development in St. Louis will be one of the major phases of its 150 million dollar post-war expansion program. Henry Ford, II, executive vice-president, told the Post-Dispatch today on his arrival from Detroit to inspect the site for two new plants and to make definite plans for their construction. It is understood that the St. Louis plant will be the largest Ford plant in the country outside of Detroit."

Jobs Open for Issei or Nisei

COOK

Issei Bachelor preferred

For Catholic Convent - to assist Sisters with cooking. Salary \$60.00 per month with maintenance. Housing accommodations provided at Seminary with mother Issei family.

LEATHER WORKERS

Issei preferred

Two men to do leather tooling and general saddle making and repairing. 60¢ to \$1.00 per hour - time and one-half after 40 hours with advancement according to ability. Permanent work.

GARDENER, YARDMAN, HOUSEMAN
HOUSEMAN
Issei wanted

To take care of garden, wash autos, take care of basement and furnace and wash windows in a household of three adults. Salary offered \$30.00 per week. Housing not available in home.

MACHINIST
Issei requested

One for work in chain manufacturing firm. Salary \$1.00 per hour. Can advance to \$1.20 per hour. Overtime after 40 hours. Can offer some post-war security on position.

NURSERY WORKERS
Issei Bachelors preferred

For general nursery work. Living accommodations provided. Salary 50¢ per hour to start with raises until maximum of 65¢ per hour is secured. Good opportunity for Trial Indefinite Leave. One Issei and several Niseis already employed by this firm.

NURSERY WORKERS
Issei requested

5 for general nursery work and farming. Salary 50¢ per hour to start. Living accommodations provided. Good opportunity for Trial Indefinite Leave.

ORDER FILLERS
Issei acceptable

Two to fill orders in chain manufacturing firm. Salary 60¢ for first three months after which will increase to 70¢. Overtime after 40 hours.

PAINT SPRAYER
Issei acceptable

Spray base or primer coats on art figurines. Experienced preferred or will train. Salary 50¢ per hour for inexperienced, gradually increasing to 65¢. Work week 50 hours - overtime after 40 hours.

PAINT

For Family Relocation - Housing Furnished

FLORIST HELPER
Farmington, Mo.

General greenhouse work - six days per week and every other Sunday. Housing provided in six room farm house. No modern conveniences in house. Will accept family and permit wife to work in greenhouse also.

FARMER
Farmington, Mo.

General farm work. Must be able to operate tractor and drive truck. Salary \$20.00 per week with housing provided in six room farm house. No modern conveniences in house, however. Will furnish garden, cow, and wood for fuel. Can raise chickens if desired. Will accept couple with children.

FARMER
Chesterfield, Mo.

Desire couple without children. Man will care for family vegetable garden and 200 fruit trees - woman will care for four room house and cook two meals daily. Salary \$60.00 per month with own bedroom and kitchen. Employer will finance couple if they wish to have their own chickens or livestock.

FARMER
St. Louis Co. Mo.

Desire couple without children. Man to care for stock, 30 acres of pasture and 104 acres of vegetable garden. Woman to assist in home. Salary \$75.00 per month for couple. Private housing provided.

FARMER
McBaine, Mo.

To plant and tend vegetable garden, milk cows and do general chores around farm. Salary \$75.00 per month with four room house provided, partially furnished. Will accept couple with children. There is a school nearby.

Jobs for Men - Nisei

FACTORY WORKERS

At flour mill, packaging flour and lease-lend soup. Can use five to seven men. Salary 70¢ per hour to start with overtime after 40 hours.

MAINTENANCE BOY

To do general maintenance work, such as washing windows servicing awnings, etc. Salary \$30.00 per week for 48 hours week.

RADIO SERVICEMAN

Man experienced in radio work. Will furnish tools. Good working conditions. \$40.00 per week.

SWIMMING DIRECTOR

For recreational institution. Must be a qualified swimming teacher and life guard. Salary \$125.00 to \$175.00 per month. Need at once - please contact our office immediately if interested.

WAREHOUSEMEN

Two men for retail furniture store work. Consists of lifting and moving furniture varying in weight up to 100 pounds. Salary to start \$33.00 per week. Work week six days - eight hours per day.

Jobs for Women

COMMERCIAL ARTIST

Two women to paint figurines by hand and with air brush. Will train girl interested in this kind of work. Inexperienced girl can earn about \$30.00 per week. Experienced up to \$175.00 per month.

FACTORY WORKERS

Two crews - 5 each - to package flour in a flour mill. Salary 50¢ per hour to be raised to 55¢ at end of 30 days. Two girls of crew will be raised to 60¢. 40 hour week with at least 8 hours overtime.

PARCEL POST CLERK

For pharmaceutical company - to wrap and mail small packages, weighing same. No experience required - salary \$20.00 per week.

RECEPTIONIST

For chiropractor's office. Act as receptionist and keep records. Also assist doctor when needed. Salary \$20.00 per week to start, with opportunity to earn more as doctor's business increases.

STENOGRAPHER

One with large stationery house. Work consists of dictation, transcribing, typing credit memos and some clerical work. Salary \$85.00 per month.

STENOGRAPHERS

War plant - \$25.00 per week for junior steno - \$32.00 per week for senior steno. Employees upgraded every three months. Plant investigation necessary.

SEAMSTRESS

To assemble first models of dresses in manufacturing firm. \$19.00 per week to start.

TYPISTS

Two, with large stationery house. Typing shipping tickets and doing some clerical work. Salary \$70.00 per month for 40 hours.

Domestic

We have in our files a number of excellent full time domestic position as well as part time positions for young people who would like to go to school and work for their room and board.

We have a position open for a couple in a home where a small child will be welcome. A Nisei couple have been working for this family and have been very happy there. When they accepted this position, their child was just a year old.

Full time domestic jobs for girls pay up to \$20.00 per week plus complete maintenance and couples from \$125.00 to \$150.00 per month. Either Issei or Nisei are acceptable - some families prefer Issei.

III. Housing

The housing conditions in St. Louis remain about the same, with the smaller furnished apartments not too difficult to find. They usually rent from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per week. The larger furnished apartments are quite difficult to locate, and they usually rent from \$60.00 up. It is best, however, for new relocatees to secure temporary housing, which is always available, and then endeavor to find more permanent quarters.

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