

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

In reply, please refer to:

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, OFFICE
WHITCOMB HOTEL BUILDING

JUL 21 1943

Operations
From Utz.

Mr. Harvey M. Coverley
Project Director
Tule Lake Relocation Project
Newell, California

Dear Mr. Coverley:

I want to express to you and your staff my sincere appreciation for a very profitable and interesting visit to the Tule Lake Relocation Area. This was my first visit since last August, and I want to compliment you and your staff on the excellent progress that has been made in completing the development work, in carrying out your construction and maintenance program, and in carrying forward a very creditable crop and livestock program.

Before coming out to the Center there were a number of problems which I wanted to discuss with you and your staff. We were able to discuss these and conclusions were reached on nearly all of them. A few points require additional work on the part of the staff and require submission of definite plans to the Washington office for approval. The following is in the form of a confirmation on those discussions together with a few suggestions which I feel will be of value in the smoother operation of the Center activities.

I spent considerable time with Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Slattery in going over several items of construction, particularly with reference to the tent factory buildings and the furniture factory building. The first of the tent factory buildings, now being used by mess as a warehouse and distributing center, is being used quite effectively. While there is still room for considerably more produce in this building the space is being utilized quite fully. As soon as the school buildings are completed the balance of the plaster board will be removed from one end of the building which will make available space for mess operations. Also, the equipment for the tent factory, still stored in the opposite end of the warehouse, is to be removed, I understand, in the near future and this will make the entire warehouse available for mess warehousing. Careful piling and arrangement of supplies in this building is important in the adequate use of the space available.

The second tent factory building is now being completed and I understand you contemplate the use of this building as a general project ware-

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house. Your present warehouse buildings will, I understand, be used largely as divisional warehouses and for the storing of evacuee property. The amount of space available in your tent factory building should not all be needed for project warehousing and I would like to recommend that your present furniture factory, which occupies three warehouses, be moved to the end of the tent factory building opposite the railroad spur, and that in addition your other woodworking shops now in maintenance be combined with the industrial woodworking shop and the entire set up located in the one end of the tent factory building. I believe that much more effective production can be had in this building which is well-lighted and much better adapted to this purpose than it is to straight warehousing. I would like to recommend also that this one central woodworking shop handle all of your furniture manufacturing for Tule Lake and other Centers as well as all of your woodworking activities connected with the maintenance and construction work on the project. It seems to me that this will make for greater efficiency and will justify the appointment of a full-time man for your woodworking activities.

The furniture factory building, which is only complete to the extent of foundation, floor and studding, creates quite a problem in determining its future use. I am unable to see the need for completing this building as a warehouse. Your project staff has proposed its completion according to the original plans and its conversion into a root cellar. I am not convinced that the building should be completed according to original plans if it is to be used for root cellar purposes. It seems to me that the studding could be reduced in length and its sides dropped at least two or three feet, posts placed in the building as roof supports and at the same time use the posts to support the bins in the root cellar. This would allow lowering of the roof to a relatively low pitch and would eliminate the need for sealing the building if it is to be used as a root cellar. Drop siding would not be required for this purpose and the building could be constructed and insulated with an effective type of insulation at a much lower cost than would be the case if the building were completed according to original plans. I understand that the truss lumber has been cut and that none of the trusses have been fabricated. While there might be some waste to the truss lumber, I believe the saving in sheathing, roof, rafters, and insulation would be very substantial and I also believe that the building would be much more effective as a root cellar than it would if constructed along the original plans. I doubt that the building can be completed for use this fall; consequently, I would recommend that plans be worked out carefully and submitted to the Washington office for presentation to the War Production Board together with a justification for a root cellar, and that this fall and winter the Taylor warehouse together with pit storage be utilized to handle your potatoes and other root crops. I understand that your equipment is already at work excavating for these pits.

It might be advisable to delay your plans for completion of the furniture factory building until more definite information is available on segregation and until you are able to anticipate some of the problems that will arise as a result of segregation. This, however, is only a suggestion which I would like to offer to your staff as a means of eliminating some difficulties that might arise.

I was well pleased with the progress that is being made on your packing sheds and believe that you should be able to handle your out shipments to other projects from the farm in excellent shape this summer and fall. It is my understanding that you have been unable to locate any canning equipment and that probably canning activities will not be possible this year. As you know, we have ordered one power can sealer to be shipped to your project. I believe we should allow that order to be filled and if your project staff is able to locate canning equipment within the next month or two that a limited amount of canning work be carried out this fall.

With regard to the water supply for domestic purposes on the Center, I believe our conference reached the following conclusions:

1. That the SP geologist be requested to make a survey of the water situation on the Center and that his advice be taken into consideration in the location of an additional well.

2. If it is decided to put down an additional well, authority should be secured, the well drilled and pump and other equipment removed from one of your present wells that is being robbed by the well nearest the highway. This installation should reduce the cost of your additional well to approximately \$1500 and, if the well is satisfactory, relieve your present situation considerably.

I would like to suggest that in case you should be unable to maintain your present flow of water that the auxiliary pump be put into use and be pumped at least periodically to assist in maintaining a satisfactory water level.

I also discussed with Mr. Zimmer and with Mr. Hayes the reclassification of Mr. Benz, Industrial Superintendent. The above recommendation with regard to combining the woodworking shops under one supervision and locating the shop in the tent factory building would, I believe, make the job of sufficient importance to warrant the higher classification. I asked Mr. Zimmer to study the possibilities of this move carefully and to determine whether or not the volume of work to be turned out by such combined shops would warrant the promotion. Under the present set up I am unable to approve the promotion of Mr. Benz to the higher classification.

Mr. Zimmer, Mr. Kallam and I discussed the advisability of establishing a beef cattle herd on the Tule Lake Project. No definite conclusions

were reached as to the advisability of establishing such a herd. You do have the slaughtering facilities and the feed available for such an enterprise. The cost of corrals would be small since the corral across the highway from the Center could be moved over near the slaughtering house at very small expense. Due to the fact, however, that very little pasture could be made available on your Center, it would seem advantageous to purchase cattle that would require only 45 to 60 days feed to put them in shape to slaughter or to purchase cattle for the Central Utah Relocation Area and to pasture them on that Center until fairly well finished and then ship them to Tule Lake. I would appreciate it very much if you and your staff would consider the advisability of this enterprise and if you feel that it is justified, recommend such a procedure to the Washington office. You recall that livestock enterprises other than poultry and hogs, require the approval of the Director before action is taken in establishing such an enterprise. I believe that arrangements could be made with Central Utah to purchase and partially feed out beef cattle if you felt such action desirable.

I am gratified at the progress being made in the development of the plant and herd in both your poultry and hog farms. If several hundred additional feeder hogs could be located, weighing approximately 150 pounds, I believe they should be purchased in order to fill in the gap between your present limited number of heavy hogs and the pigs which are being fed at the present time. In order to supply sufficient pork for the Center it would be necessary to increase your swine herd considerably above the present level.

I discussed with Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Kallam the possibility of releasing two Farmall tractors to the Granada Relocation Center. They are very much in need of two tractors at that Center to make it possible to plant and harvest additional feed crops which are needed in feeding out livestock. Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Kallam both informed me that they could spare two tractors with no difficulty on the farm. I hope that you will notify Mr. Lindley that these tractors are surplus to your immediate needs and send such notice to the property control officer in Washington. Mr. Lindley will notify you relative to shipping instructions. The transfer of this equipment may be made as quickly as possible so that they may be of maximum use to the Granada Project this summer.

There are a few general observations which I would like to make in connection with operations activities on your Center. I noticed particularly the connecting construction work that had been built in the Center. Your administrative quarters have been connected, several warehouses have been connected, and of course, your new high school has been connected by catwalks throughout even to the shop building. While I recognize the convenience of such connecting construction I would like to point out the increased fire hazards that result from this convenience. We recognize that certain protection, at least at the hospital,

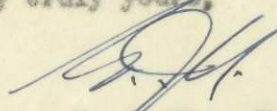
is essential to the proper care of patients. Connecting the hospital to the hospital warehouse, however, does not seem to be necessary nor does it appear to be necessary to connect a number of the other buildings on the Center, particularly as a matter of convenience. I believe you recognize the increased fire hazards and I believe that this type of construction is questionable in many instances.

The second observation which I would like to make is the amount of transportation equipment, such as cargo trucks, that are being operated between the various buildings and other parts of the relocation area where the full load is either the driver or the driver and one or two passengers. Tule Lake is probably the most adequately provided with equipment of any of the Centers. I believe that a careful survey of the use of transportation equipment would lead to a very substantial reduction in the mileage of that equipment. No doubt your transportation system is being revised somewhat in connection with the recent reorganization of the administration on the various Centers. I hope that it will be possible to curtail some of the apparent unnecessary mileage.

I sent to Washington recommendations for approval of the purchase of another used combine harvester and for the purchase of two discs while at the Center. I believe the acreage of grain which will require harvesting this fall will be too large for the two combine harvesters which you have at present. Since there is only one disc harrow on the Center farm at the present time I have recommended the approval for two additional disc harrows. I would also like to recommend that your agricultural staff attempt to locate several grain drills with grass seed attachments which might be purchased for the Center to avoid the necessity of leasing grain drills at 15¢ per acre as is being done at the present time. Used drills should be purchased if possible.

Again may I compliment you and your staff on the excellent progress that has been made at the Center in the last ten months and again thank you for the pleasant and profitable visit to your Center this past week.

Very truly yours,



E. S. Ute, Chief
Agricultural and Engineering
Division

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Tule Lake Project
Nowell, California

August 1, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: ALL DIVISIONS

FROM: OPERATIONS DIVISION

SUBJECT: Form WRA-159 Trip Record of Motor Equipment
Usage

Audit of Passenger Car mileage records for the period January 1 to June 30, 1943, inclusive, discloses numerous violations of procedure in the recording of mileage and entry of proper cost account numbers assigned to each activity.

Your attention is invited to requirements of Administrative Instruction No. 62, "Operation of Motor Pool and Motor Repair Sections" which clearly defines the responsibility of each official user of Government vehicles in the accurate, complete recording of required information on WRA-159 Trip Record, to be promptly submitted to the Motor Pool Unit each day.

Since these forms provide information for distribution of Motor Operation charges, it is essential that usage by each activity be correctly reported in order to eliminate the necessity for pro-rating unreported mileage to the activity in which the operator is employed.

There is attached a list of account numbers assigned to various activities, and it is requested that individual operators in your Division and Sections be advised of the proper number to be entered on Form WRA-159 Trip Record each time Government vehicles are utilized.

C. E. Zimmer

C. E. Zimmer
Assistant Project Director
In Charge of Operations Div.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNT NUMBERS

Account No.

(A) GENERAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT

1100	Office of the Project Director
1200	Legal Division
1300	Reports Division

(B) ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

2100	Asst. Project Director
2200	Office Services Section
2300	Personnel Section
2400	Statistics Section
2500	Supply Section (except Mess Management Unit)
2520	Procurement Unit
2530	Postal Service Unit
2610	Mess Management Unit (Project Steward)
2620	Evacuee Mess (Assistant Stewards)
2630	Administrative Mess (Assistant Stewards)
2650	Storehouse
2710	Finance Section
2720	Budget & Accounts Unit
2730	Cost Account & Property Control Unit (includes warehousing)

(C) OPERATIONS DIVISION

3100	Assistant Project Director
3200	Engineering Section
3220	Design & Drafting Unit
3230	Irrigation, Drainage & Roads Unit
3240	Construction & Maintenance Unit
3241	Electricians
3242	Building Maintenance
3243	Grounds Maintenance
3244	Operating Services
3310	Agriculture Section
3320	Agricultural Unit
3330	Livestock Unit
3340	Processing & Marketing Unit
3350	Livestock Slaughter House
3360	Planning & Research
3410	Industry Section
3420	Manufacturing Unit
3510	Motor Transport & Maintenance Section
3520	Motor Pool Unit
3530	Motor Repair Unit
3600	Fire Protection Section

Account No.

(D) COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

4100	Assistant Project Director
4150	Community Government
4300	Education Section
4410	Health Section / Administration
4450	Ambulance Motor Service
4500	Welfare Section (Includes Housing)
4600	Internal Security
4700	Community Activities Section
4750	Community Analysis Section
4800	Evacuee Property Section
4900	Business Enterprises Section

(E) EMPLOYMENT DIVISION

5100	Employment Officer
5200	Occupational Coding & Records Section
5300	Placement Section
5400	Leave Section

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Tule Lake Project
Newell, California

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

August 13, 1943

To: ALL DIVISION CHIEFS & SECTIONS HEADS

From: C. E. Zimmer

Subject: Hauling Supplies & Materials from Klamath Falls or nearby towns

Beginning this date all orders must be in Mr. Failing's office before 5:30 P.M. each day.

In the past the truck has been leaving the project as late as 10:00 A.M. During the segregation we may have to make two trips a day, therefore, it will be necessary to leave the project not later than 8:00 A.M. each morning.

C. E. Zimmer

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Assistant Project Director
In Charge of Operations Division

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
Tule Lake Project
Newell, California

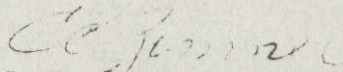
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: September 14, 1943

TO: All Division Chiefs and Section Heads
FROM: Transportation Division
SUBJECT: Form #159

After all the instructions by memorandums and bulletins this form is still incomplete in most cases when it is turned in to our clerks. After "Equipment requested by" the name of the persons requesting the equipment must sign his or her name with ink and also the person using the equipment must sign their name with ink. We cannot issue equipment unless this form is properly filled out.

Please route all requests through the "Motor Pool" one day in advance.


C. E. Zimmer
Assistant Project Director
In Charge of Operations Division

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

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Mr. E. J. Utz
Chief of Operations
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building,
Washington, 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Utz:

Thank you for your very comprehensive report of March 1. I thought you would like to know what has been done along the lines suggested in your report.

A letter was received from Mr. Slattery yesterday stating that he had finally been transferred so that chief engineer's position is now open. The day after he left the project, the construction division was called together and their duties and line of authority were explained to them with very little reaction. After approximately one week, it was necessary to call them together again and explain in no uncertain terms that the procedure in Engineering had changed and must be followed in the future. During the conference in which duties were outlined, there was a great deal of heated discussion on past operations and future changes. Resignation blanks were offered to any who did not feel they could be happy under the new setup. Everyone remained and I believe it did them good to get their problems off their chest as things are running very smoothly. At present all work orders in construction and maintenance are issued by Donovan. Construction orders to Christensen and maintenance orders to Lauritzen. They in turn make out work orders for plumbing, electrical and carpenter work. Bergman and Roper are both required to report to Christensen and Lauritzen. There is a fairly good understanding in the engineering unit at this time. We are going to be somewhat crippled by the transfer of Operations personnel to Leupp but hope that the vacancies created are soon filled.

Since you were here, we have converted six barracks into administrative apartments. The high school plant will be completed sufficiently for use as soon as the roof jacks are in place. The motor pool construction is about 50% completed. The construction, necessitated by a fire damage to the administrative mess hall, is about 70% completed.

We have a crew of 40 evacuee carpenters lining the barracks in the new area and have completed about 30% of this job. There were many fire hazards in the new area caused by the stoves being placed too close to the walls and windows; also, insufficient wiring to carry the load. These fire hazards have all been corrected.

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The Army has released the fence materials on the League of Nations Tract to WRA and we are having that removed to the project.

The Public Works Building on the hill has been slowly disappearing so we have about half completed the job of moving it inside the perimeter fence.

Assignment of job number to jobs is now underway but until the center warehouse alterations have been completed we will be unable to transfer our inventory to Property Control. We are being very careful not to violate regulations of the War Production Board.

The Irrigation, Drainage and Road Section, I agree, has been over-staffed in the past. It is my intention in the future to have only two Caucasians in this section, a road superintendent and a senior carpenter. Mr. Christensen who has been in the irrigation and roads unit, I would like to have placed in the construction unit as assistant superintendent in charge of construction--a comparable job to Lauritzen's who will be in charge of maintenance.

We have increased Mr. Booker's staff by four draftsmen, one estimator and one stenographer. The evacuee help he has however, is not sufficient. I would like to set up a job for a draftsman in this unit and believe we will have to pay about \$3200 base to get the type of man needed. If possible, I would like to have Carl Thye, design engineer at Jerome, transferred to fill this job if it is approved. I am thoroughly satisfied with the work of Mr. Booker who I propose to put in the office engineers position.

The Motor Transportation and Maintenance Section is shaping up very nicely under the direction of Ted Bulpin. I wish you could see the new motor pool since we have transferred all equipment. By this time, you no doubt have seen a copy of the transportation instructions issued on this project the latter part of February. During the first ten days in March, a 12% saving of gasoline and a 16% saving of mileage was effected. Although there was a great deal of "sqawking" in the beginning, it is surprising to see how many of the administrative personnel as well as the evacuees have settled into the routine of walking to and from their work.

We now have 165 cars operating and 45 cars in the garage, making a total of 210 for use at this project. Our motor pool and repair shop is being constructed in accordance with your proposed layout. I am confident that future operations will show a savings in the motor and transportation section. All old equipment which has been replaced by army vehicles has now been placed on the surplus line at the back of the motor pool.

Mr. Utz, 3

I note in the approval of budget for the third quarter that material and supplies for the industrial section has been disapproved but the labor for the furniture factory was approved. I assume that this was done because of the proposed transfer of the furniture factory to the construction department. I am at a loss however, to understand why the allotment for materials in Industry was not made to the construction section. Will you please advise whether consolidation of the furniture factory and the carpenter shop should be effected by the Washington office.

The Fire Protection section is still inadequate. The day Mr. Hoffman was scheduled to leave Tule Lake, Mr. Owens was called to Los Angeles where his wife was seriously ill. This left Mr. Kerr as acting fire protection officer. Mr. Kerr had only been on the job a few days. He is to be complimented on the efficient manner in which he has handled the operation of the fire department since the departure of Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Owens. The situation will be relieved somewhat on the arrival of Mr. Evans who is being detailed here from Poston Relocation Center. One of the fire trucks was damaged in an automobile accident last week and the army has supplied us with surplus equipment while our fire truck is being repaired.

The Agriculture Division is shaping up slowly. The evacuee organization seems to be running very smoothly but I feel the need of a farm chief. There have been several prospects but none have developed satisfactorily. The California farmers in this area are making too much money to consider a position of this kind.

In accordance with your suggestion, all butchering operations have been transferred to mess management.

We now have 750 acres of land plowed. 15 acres of oats planted, 12 acres of peas planted, and we are starting on onions, garlic and lettuce today.

The farm crew is growing to a size where we will very soon need feeding facilities at the farm site. We are moving the old mess hall from the League of Nations Tract to unit No. 2 and reassembling there without submitting anything to the War Production Board. It is my understanding that we may move a structure without approval.

The evacuee farm group was organized by selecting men from various projects who have been recommended by the farm chiefs at the Gila Convention. This group of evacuees then selected their own supervisor and assistant and appointed unit foremen for seven units. These unit foremen then selected five key men per unit and that constitutes our present farm organization.

In accordance with your suggestion, we are eliminating the breeding of hogs on this project and are in the future purchasing only feeder pigs.

Mr. Utz, 4

We have already forwarded to you a list of the farm equipment which we have shipped to other centers. We are now in the process of declaring surplus some of the Packing House equipment--sacks, etc.

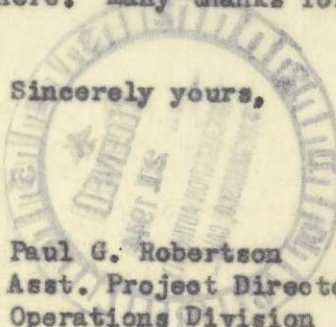
You suggest that the shock we have on hand should be transferred to Gila River. We only have one car of wire-bound crates on hand here and believe that this will be required for harvesting crops. If we declare this shock surplus, we would have nothing to harvest our lettuce, nappa, radishes, cabbage, etc. for this project.

We have just sold the surplus potatoes out of the Taylor warehouse to the Army at \$2.65 per 100 weight for combination 85% US 1 grade, FOB Newell, to be shipped immediately. We hope to have the Taylor warehouse cleaned before May 15 in order that we may cancel our contract for storage by June 1.

I will try to give you a narrative report by letter periodically to keep you informed as to our progress here. Many thanks for all the help you have given to us.

Sincerely yours,

Paul G. Robertson
Asst. Project Director
Operations Division



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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
Klamath Falls, Oregon
September 30, 1944

Mr. Paul G. Robertson, Chief, Operations Division
War Relocation Authority
Newell, California

Dear Mr. Robertson:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 28, 1944, asking for analysis of "J" Canal water.

No analysis has been made of the "J" Canal water this year, but the following are analysis of samples taken at the head of the "J" Canal during 1942 and 1943. Also tabulated below are analysis of the drainage waters discharged at Drainage Pumping Plant No. 5 which includes samples taken during 1944.

Composite of daily Samples	"J" Canal at Head					Drainage Pumping Plant No. 5				
	May 11	July 11	Oct 8	Jan 29	May 12	Aug 10	Aug 10	Nov 27	Mar 27	July 20
	to 17 1942	to 17 1942	to 14 1942	to Feb 4 1943	to 18 1943	to 16 1943	to 16 1943	to Dec 3 1943	to Apr 2 1944	to July 26 1944
Mean Disch. c.f.s.	193	559	76	81	186	526	75	17	48	104
K x 10 ⁵ @ 25° C	43.7	29.2	73.9	68.5	53.2	29.3	50.1	10.6	52.6	49.4
D.S.T. ac. ft.	0.40	0.26	0.66	0.62	0.47	0.28	0.45	0.97	0.47	0.45
PH	7.9	7.6	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.9
B p.p.m.	0.06	0.04	0.14	0.12	0.09	0.05	0.09	0.17	0.09	0.13
Ca e.p.m.	1.12	0.81	1.64	1.59	0.18	0.82	1.28	2.80	1.38	1.59
Mg "	1.33	0.90	2.34	2.03	1.60	0.93	1.56	3.46	1.62	1.46
Na "	2.01	1.20	3.77	3.51	2.73	1.25	2.41	5.50	2.55	2.31
K "	0.14	0.12	0.17	0.22	0.13	0.11	0.23	0.34	0.17	0.22
CO ₃ "	0.10	0	0.40	T	T	T	0.20	T	0.10	0.10
HCO ₃ "	2.63	1.98	3.51	3.78	3.39	2.14	3.64	8.25	3.80	3.72
SO ₄ "	1.42	0.65	3.12	2.68	1.65	0.56	1.13	2.88	1.26	1.17
Cl "	0.25	0.20	0.60	0.65	0.45	0.20	0.30	0.76	0.40	0.30
NO ₃ "	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.11	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.18	0.04	0.04
PO ₄ "	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.12	0.03	0.05
Si O ₂ p.p.m.	34	26	33	34	32	39	41	48	35	40

Very truly yours,

/s/ B. E. Hayden
Superintendent

(See Jay Canal)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

Agriculture

University of California
College of Agriculture
Department of Horticulture
Davis, California

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Dear Sir:

For the past two years, onion crops at Tule Lake have been somewhat of a hazard due to a very short growing season. There is not enough time for the average variety of yellow or white onions to mature. The planting time is usually between April 1 and 15, but all during April and May the weather is very cold. This year there was frost on June 20, also September 2, and consequently this late start delays the maturity time.

We would like to have your opinion as to what variety of seed would be most suitable for this climate.

We have plans now to hothouse enough Red Italian seed to produce sets for about five acres. But this small acreage will not begin to take care of our needs.

Any information or suggestions on the type of onion that will mature in the shortest period of time will certainly be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Paul G. Robertson
Chief, Operations Division

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

Operations Division

DEC 18 '44

United States
Department of the Interior
Bureau of Reclamation
Klamath Falls, Oregon

Attention: E. L. Stephens, Acting Supt.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your letter of November 21, we are forwarding to you herewith a list of the crops and the quantities produced at the Tule Lake Segregation Center during 1944.

We trust this is the information you desire.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Robertson
Chief, Operations Division

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<u>CROPS</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>		
Beets, Table	10	154,470	lbs.	
Broccoli	6	19,130	"	
Cabbage	15	229,492	"	
*Carrots	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	532,203	"	
Cauliflower	9	115,750	"	
Celery	$\frac{1}{2}$	4,456	"	
Daikon	32	419,770	"	
Gobo	6	44,419	"	
Garlic	2	4,440	"	
Lettuce	21	234,010	"	
Nappa	36	446,230	"	
Onions, Green	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	89,297	"	
* " Dry		133,840	"	
Peas	25	19,241	"	
Potatoes	153	1,650,460	"	
Radish	12	92,428		
Turnips	12	341,959		
Spinach	10	Loss		
Vegetable Total -		4,531,595	lbs. @3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	\$158605.82
Barley	450	540,375	lbs.	
Oats	100	39,840	"	
Grain Total -		580,215	lbs. @1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	8703.22
Alfalfa	232	954,256	lbs.	
Clover	71-Hogs	Grazing Only	-	1500.00
Hay Total -		954,256	lbs. @3/4¢	7156.92
TOTAL -				\$175965.96

HOG PRODUCTION

Farrowed this year ----- 1767 pigs

Slaughtered up to December 15, 1944 - 1405 head

Dressed Pork - 323,817 lbs. @24¢ per lb., \$77716.08

Note: *Harvest Incomplete

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON

Engineering

February 7, 1945

Mr. R. R. Best
Project Director
Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

Dear Mr. Best:

The WPB-617 application transmitted with letter of January 27, covering Project No. 39-45 - Evacuee Property Office - has been received, reviewed and forwarded to the War Production Board with a request that the application be given special consideration.

Several minor changes were made on the Form WRA-307 because the inventory recently submitted reveals the following items are on hand. This increases the total of materials on hand by the amount of \$101.64. (This item contains an error of addition in the amount of \$3.40 which you have made in the original submission.) Please correct your file copy accordingly.

On Page 1:	Cement	41 sk	@ .83	\$34.03 (752 sk on hand)
" " 2:	Lumber			
	1x8xR.L.	930 b.f.	@ .041	38.13 (5000 b.f. assigned to MR)
	1x6x12 T&G	84 "	@ .06	5.04 (25000 " surplus) <i>etc</i>
	2x4x20	80 "	@ .042	3.36
	2x4x16	43 "	@ .042	1.81 (8933 " ")
	2x4x8	299 "	@ .041	12.26
	2x4 RL	88 "	@ .041	3.61

Several errors were discovered in the application. The corrected totals for the last four columns on Form WRA-307 are as follows:

	Labor	Material	Total	Value Mat'l on Hand
	\$713.38	\$1842.47	\$2555.85	\$1276.37

We have also corrected the following totals:

60% of labor - Supervision & Engineering	\$428.03
15% of total - Overhead and Contingencies	383.38
TOTAL COST	3393.98



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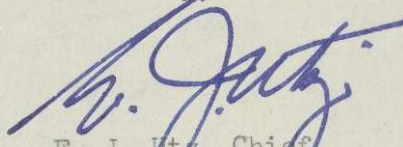
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It was impossible to check your estimate of electrical supplies, since this entry was in a lump sum. We recommend the lighting installation as shown on plan No. 994 be reconsidered. It appears there is provision made for an excessive amount of lighting unless the building is going to be used at night and we are advised that this appears very unlikely. Pull chain fixtures can be substituted for remote switches and a reduction in the number of utility outlet plugs can be made.

As soon as WPB approval is received we will request the Budget Office to advise you by teletype.

Sincerely,



E. J. Utz, Chief,
Operations Division

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

February 19, 1945

Mr. Dillon S. Myer, Director
War Relocation Authority
Barr Building
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTENTION: Mr. E. J. Utz, Chief of Operations Division

Dear Mr. Myer:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 7, making reference to the WPB-617, covering Project No. 39-45, Evacuee Property Office transmitted with our letter of January 29, 1945. You advise that our application has been reviewed and forwarded to the War Production Board with a request that the application be given special consideration and that we will be advised by teletype as soon as WPB approval is received.

The several minor changes made on Form WRA-307 have been noted and our file copy corrected accordingly.

Regarding your recommendation that the lighting installation as shown on plan #94 be reconsidered, as it appears there is provision made for an excessive amount of lighting unless the building is to be used at night, and pull chain fixtures should be substituted for remote switches and a reduction in the number of outlet plugs.

In this connection, we expect to revise our proposed layout to accommodate both Evacuee Property and Relocation Offices in the same building; and our Engineering Department will definitely determine the amount of lighting necessary. Also pull chain fixtures will be substituted for remote switches where possible as well as a possible reduction in utility outlet plugs.

Sincerely yours,

R. R. Best
Project Director

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REUR 617 APPLICATION SERIAL 136674 FOR EVACUEE PROPERTY OFFICE.
WPB APPROVAL THIS PROJECT FORWARDED TO YOU AIRMAIL TODAY, ALLOTMENT
ADVISES AS FOLLOWS HAVE BEEN ISSUED AND BEING FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE
COVER--- NO. 1858, OBJECTIVE CLASS 01.3, FOR \$714, NO. 1859, OBJECTIVE
CLASS 08, FOR \$566.

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REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS DIVISION

for the period October 1 to December 31, 1945

TULE LAKE CENTER

While all the relocation centers closed during this period, the Tule Lake Center continued in active operation for the entire period. Plans, however, were underway for gradual liquidation of the various activities and the ultimate closing of the center early in the calendar year, 1946. With this in mind no further construction work was carried on at Tule Lake with the exception of the completion of the lining of the "M" canal which had been continued at the request of the Bureau of Reclamation.

Agriculture. Plans were made during the period to return the agricultural lands to the Bureau of Reclamation shortly after the close of the period. Farm machinery was inventoried and declared surplus as rapidly as the harvesting of the various crops was completed. Purchases of feeder hogs were discontinued about the middle of October and the present herd will supply pork for the center population until approximately February 15. Root crops and other storable vegetables were placed in the root cellar for winter consumption. Yields of crops at the Tule Lake Center this year were quite good and the attached table shows the production of crops and livestock during the 3-month period.

Motor Transport and Maintenance. The Motor Transport and Maintenance Section continued to function as usual during the period with the exception that no major overhauls were undertaken. With

the completion of construction work and the closing out of the agricultural program quite a number of trucks used by these activities were released and declared surplus to disposal agencies.

Fire Control. With the removal of the Military Police from the Tule Lake Center it was no longer possible to man the third fire pump which was located in the Military Police Area. A volunteer crew of staff members, however, were given training and the additional pumper issued as standby equipment and manned by volunteers in case of an emergency. Evacuee crews are still manning the other two pieces of equipment and carrying on the normal inspection and prevention work.

The first serious fire at Tule Lake occurred on the evening of December 31, 1945 when the high school auditorium burned. When the fire was discovered it had such headway that the Fire Department could only protect the adjacent classroom buildings and the auditorium was a complete loss. The enclosed walks connecting the auditorium and some of the class room buildings made control quite difficult. The cause of the fire has not been determined. The loss amounted to \$54,442 of which \$5,673 was equipment and the balance of \$48,769 represents the value of the buildings and enclosed walks which were destroyed. Due to the fact that the schools will not reopen after January 1 it is unnecessary to replace the building.

Total fire loss for the 6-month period July 1 to December 31, 1945 was \$59,784.42.

Construction and Maintenance. The only construction work to be carried out during the period was the completion of the lining of the "M" canal which was done at the request of the Bureau of Reclamation. This canal is a part of the authorized irrigation construction for this area and will be required for the irrigation of additional lands to be opened to veterans during 1946.

With the increase in relocation from the Tule Lake Center, it was necessary to provide large amounts of crating and boxing lumber to handle shipments of evacuee personal property. Because of the extreme scarcity of lumber a resaw outfit was set up and considerable quantities of dimension lumber has been resawed to be used for crating and boxing. The operation of the resaw equipment and the fabrication of boxes and crates has been carried on largely by the Construction and Maintenance Section.

Only minimum maintenance work was carried out within the camp during the period. Utilities continue to operate with little difficulty and some reductions were made in transformer capacity as the population of the center decreased.

Attachment