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Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending August 31 1943Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
(PENDING)		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	6	6,153.25
Trucks	4	168.85
Automobiles	36	4,108.00
Other	_____	_____
Collections	1	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	47	10,430.10
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	3	5,318.23
Residential Property	2	3,542.34
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	1	900.00
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	1	273.32
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	1	40.60
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	8	10,074.49
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	no accurate number available	
Miscellaneous Services Performed	41	1,733.24
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	_____	22,237.83

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 80 Cases Pending At First of Month 204 Cases Completed During the Month 99 Cases Pending At End of Month 184

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:

	Farm Property	Farm & Auto Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property
To Project Attorney	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
To Field Office	<u>2</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>32</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 43 For Transportation (WRA-156) 80

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 18 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 42

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

COMMENT:

Figures do not reflect actual effort. Many significant services performed not apparently contemplated by home office. Gila Center Evacuee Property Office rendered extraordinary service Alien Property Custodian, Department of State and Customs in connection with Gripsholm incident.

SUGGESTIONS:

Suggest conference ^{with} Federal Reserve Bank, Foreign Funds Control, ^{regarding} Alien Property Custodian representation by War Relocation Authority, safety deposit entrance, etc.

^{Now} Suggest uniform CPA procedure, ^{regarding} inter-state gas rationing, ^{and procedure of bringing} automobiles for relocation, constant difficulty with California Board. Difficulty in securing proper ODT certificates ^{for} trucks from California to relocation destination ^{is also being encountered.}

COMPLAINTS:

Transportation - automatic EPR-delay in receiving same is detrimental.

~~RECOMMENDATION:~~

~~Evacuee Property should be set up at project as separate division and properly budgeted.~~

PROGRESS:

A pparent constant increase in business.

A. J. Casabianca
Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending Sept. 30 1943

Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)
Leases (Total Acreage _____)
Collections
Debt Adjustments
Total Farm Property Transactions

No. of Cases Amount Involved

_____	_____
1	867.12
1	867.12 ✓

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery
Trucks
Automobiles
Other

2	3,312.00
12	234.00
20	5,639.67

Collections

Total Equipment Transactions

34	9,185.67 ✓
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URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments
Stores and Industrial Property
Residential Property
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
Merchandise
Other

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments
Stores and Industrial Property
Residential Property
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
Other

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Collections

Debt Adjustments

Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month

1	350.00
1	350.00 ✓

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered
Miscellaneous Services Performed

no accurate number available
20 10,970.00 ✓

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:

92 21,372.79

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 74 Cases Pending At First of Month 184 Cases Completed During the Month 51 Cases Pending At End of Month 207

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Co. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	Misc.
To Project Attorney	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
To Field Office	<u>2</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>5</u>	9

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 20 For Transportation (WRA-156) 601

Number of Individual
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 14 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 26

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

COMMENTS:

"TOTAL AMOUNT" Column, closed cases only should show larger figures, but licensing both presale and retroactive by Federal Reserve Bank Foreign Funds Control has been slow.

Under "MISC. ACTIVITY"; delivery of contents of Safe Deposit Boxes appear in "NO. OF CASES" column but amount involved not entered.

"MISC. ACTIVITY" does not include any except file cases. This office has recently been much too busy to record inquiries handled or cases involving little correspondence which actually do not warrant record. In this connection, treatment of Evacuee cars for relocation does not appear in "AMOUNT INVOLVED COLUMN" but actually entails a great deal of effort, both personal and by correspondence.

Treatment of Transportation problems at the Regional Office shows marked improvement which is now beginning to be reflected in field warehouses as evidenced by more prompt pick-up, better packing and less delay in receiving shipments at Project.

SEGREGATION PROGRAM:

Refer revised schedule #13 Gila River Center to Tule Lake Center, Railhead Casa Grande, Arizona--Staley, California. Delay in arrival of cars together with bunching of incoming shipments has necessitated extraordinary activity in this department.

RECOMMENDATION:

Gila River Center Evacuee Property Office should have bank connection at rail-head to facilitate handling evacuee funds by wire as this, together with practically every other type of service involving money, is handled by this office at present.

While evacuee property employment quota is more or less discretionary, do not think Washington has contemplated scope of service necessary. Key evacuee positions in Project office are important. Such people handle money, negotiable instruments, etc. At least 30% of personnel have voluntarily worked overtime each day since my arrival on the Project. Such service warrants some recognition. Suggest Evacuee Project Offices receive special consideration from employment angle.

Approximate figures on evacuee losses by reason of evacuation have been requested. An intelligent report will require considerable research.

A. H. Chamberlain

Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending October 31, 1943Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)
 Leases (Total Acreage _____)
 Collections
 Debt Adjustments
 Total Farm Property Transactions

No. of
CasesAmount
Involved

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery
 Trucks
 Automobiles
 Other

Collections

Total Equipment Transactions

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments
 Stores and Industrial Property
 Residential Property
 Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
 Merchandise
 Other

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments
 Stores and Industrial Property
 Residential Property
 Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
 Other

Collections

Debt Adjustments

Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered
 Miscellaneous Services Performed

No accurate number available

24 2873.30

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE: 42 23618.25

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 32 Cases Pending At First of Month 218 Cases Completed During the Month 42 Cases Pending At End of Month 208

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:

Farm
Property

Farm & Auto.
Equipment

Urban and Com-
mercial Property
misc.

To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	_____
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 27 For Transportation (WRA-156) 42

(490 - segregation included in Sept. report)

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 228 To Relocation Points 35

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

Segregation Program:

Sixteen (16) cars evacuee property shipped Gila River Center to Tule Lake Center and during same period, three carloads evacuee property received Gila Center from California. In connection with same this office not only handled all paper work but the actual handling, checking, warehousing, loading, unloading, tagging, and some crating connected with segregation shipments of all freight, checkable baggage and hand baggage, supervised carloadings and handled also, of course, the unloading, warehousing, distribution of freight shipments from California, together with all relocation shipments during segregation period.

Casa Grande, Arizona, railhead for Gila Center, is 22 miles distant and without warehouse and docking facilities so that all loading and unloading must be done at the cars. All this necessitated long hours and hard work for Evacuee Property personnel.

As an item of interest in connection with the delivery of evacuee property shipped from California to this Project our office attends to sterilization of all mattresses and bedding before distribution to evacuees.

This office is now engaged in completing segregation case work to be forwarded to Tule Lake.

Evacuee Property Officer

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Budget Bureau No. 13-8041
Approval Expires: 11/30/44

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending Nov. 1943

Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

No. of Cases

Amount Involved

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)
Leases (Total Acreage _____)
Collections
Debt Adjustments
Total Farm Property Transactions

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery
Trucks
Automobiles
Other

8 3804.08

Collections

Total Equipment Transactions

8 3804.08

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments
Stores and Industrial Property
Residential Property
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
Merchandise
Other

2 2100.00

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments
Stores and Industrial Property
Residential Property
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
Other

Collections

Debt Adjustments

Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month

2 2100.00

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered
Miscellaneous Services Performed

no accurate number available
26 2978.33

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:

36 8882.41

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 26 Cases Pending At First of Month 208 Cases Completed During the Month 23 Cases Pending At End of Month 211

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:

Farm
Property

Farm & Acco.
Equipment

Urban and Com-
mercial Property

To Project Attorney _____

To Field Office _____

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TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 3 For Transportation (WRA-156) 33

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 6 Shipped From Project To Relocation Points 38

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

This office now has three escrows open in the aggregate amount of \$59,500. which should have been closed during November but are delayed from various causes. There have been few freight shipments of personal property either to or from the Project during November. The office here has been operating with a skeleton personnel for the past few weeks as many of its members have been laid up with flu, some key members lost through relocation, etc.

For the first time our Property office at Gila had opportunity to dispose of automobiles in Arizona, one at wholesale and two at retail prices.

As a miscellaneous service it may be noted that we recently have been successful in disposing of Government bonds to evacuees in the aggregate amount of \$10,500. cash and indirectly responsible for evacuee bond sales to the extent of \$8500. All were purchased through the local postoffice here at Rivers.

click { This office has noted four recent fires in California occurring to Japanese-American property which appear to be incendiary. It might be valuable to stop freight shipments to Projects for a short time and make a drive to pick up all personal property from vulnerable private storage, as apparently there is some organized looting followed by fire..

Project evacuee employment is at present in such condition that it is almost impossible to get qualified assistance. This, of course, applies to all departments, but is particularly felt in Property offices because of the character of the business conducted.

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending December 194 3Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	<u>1</u>	<u>45,000.00</u>
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	<u>1</u>	<u>45,000.00</u>
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	<u>3</u>	<u>1,415.00</u>
Trucks	<u>1</u>	<u>1,058.50</u>
Automobiles	<u>3</u>	<u>2,923.50</u>
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	<u>7</u>	<u>5,397.00</u>
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	<u>1</u>	<u>480.00</u>
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	<u>1</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	<u>2</u>	<u>1,080.00</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	_____	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>26</u>	<u>4,692.89</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>46</u>	<u>56,169.89</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases _____ Cases Pending _____ Cases Completed _____ Cases Pending _____
 Received This Month 19 At First of Month 211 During the Month 20 At End of Month 210

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:

Farm
Property

Farm & Co.
Equipment

Urban and Com-
mercial Property Other

To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	_____
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 25 For Transportation (WRA-156) 29

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 24 Shipped From Project To Relocation Points 13

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

Definite arrangement should be made with DDT and OPA for their recognition of WRA instructions regarding relocation of automotive equipment (trucks and cars).

Relationship between the offices of Project Attorney and Project Evacuee Property should be more clearly defined.

The Evacuee Property Officer believes that Evacuee Property should be set up as a Division at Project and Officers paid on comparable basis to other Division heads.

He considers Evacuee Property functions most important to relocation.

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTYFor Month Ending Jan. 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	<u>1</u>	<u>200.00</u>
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	<u>1</u>	<u>200.00</u>
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	<u>6</u>	<u>1,253.50</u>
Trucks	<u>8</u>	<u>1,399.57</u>
Automobiles	<u>12</u>	<u>2,040.00</u>
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	<u>26</u>	<u>4,693.07</u>
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	<u>1</u>	<u>200.00</u>
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	<u>1</u>	<u>922.00</u>
Other	_____	_____
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	<u>3</u>	<u>955.00</u>
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	<u>1</u>	<u>40.00</u>
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	<u>6</u>	<u>2,157.00</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	_____	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>37</u>	<u>9,441.33</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>68</u>	<u>16,491.40</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases	Cases Pending	Cases Completed	Cases Pending
Received This Month <u>46</u>	At First of Month <u>286</u>	During the Month <u>70</u>	At End of Month <u>262</u>

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Au. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	MISC.
To Project Attorney	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
To Field Office	<u>0</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>	6

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 73 For Transportation (WRA-156) 60

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 15 Shipped From Project To Relocation Points 14

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

Suggest again that ODT and OPA be contacted at Washington in connection with relocation evacuee cars from California to outside farming areas. Suggest proper dissemination of information to various OPA boards up and down the state so that uniform treatment be secured.

The shipping of trucks by freight is very expensive and I believe an unwarranted penalty.

Suggest closer follow-up on shipping request farm machinery at evacuee expense. Delay may mean loss in the entire seasonal crop. In one instance Transportation Division had both an order and a deposit of evacuee funds to cover such shipment as far back as September last. No shipment made as yet. (Minamide, Santa Maria, Calif. to Keenesburg, Colorado) Delay probably due to local carrier.

COMMENT: Very pleased with the results of the Conference at San Francisco.

Monthly ReportEVACUEE PROPERTYFor Month Ending Feb. 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

No. of
CasesAmount
Involved

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)
 Leases (Total Acreage _____)
 Collections _____
 Debt Adjustments _____
 Total Farm Property Transactions _____

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery
 Trucks
 Automobiles
 Other

1 75.00
1 285.20
2 821.00

Collections _____

Total Equipment Transactions _____

4 1106.20

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments
 Stores and Industrial Property
 Residential Property
 Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
 Merchandise
 Other

1 (Cancelled)

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments
 Stores and Industrial Property
 Residential Property
 Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
 Other

1 35.00

Collections _____

Debt Adjustments _____

Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month _____

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered
 Miscellaneous Services Performed

25 1716.05

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE: 31 2932.25

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 16 Cases Pending At First of Month 262 Cases Completed During the Month 14 Cases Pending At End of Month 263

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:

Farm
Property

Farm & Auto.
Equipment

Urban and Com-
mercial Property Misc.

To Project Attorney _____

To Field Office _____

9

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TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 38 For Transportation (WRA-156) 54

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 85 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 13
Special Transfer 9

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

Some few cases not completed in February due to delay in Federal Reserve Bank license, Foreign Funds Control. These cases in all probability will be completed during March. A few real property transactions delayed by reason of failure to secure prompt return of necessary documents from Tule Lake. Note, there was one large shipment of farm machinery from California to Colorado at evacuee's expense in addition to ten relocation shipments of personal property from California to other states.

This office established cordial relations between representatives of the Navy and the California Attorney General's office during February which are now resulting in very satisfactory adjustments on real property and crop acquisitions by the Navy.

I am pleased to report very satisfactory relations with the Arizona ODT and OPA but still encounter difficulties with certain California OPA Boards in the matter of securing gasoline coupons for automobile relocation.

All cases from this Project recently forwarded to the Los Angeles Office have been handled in a successful and satisfactory manner.

A. F. Chamberlin
Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTYFor Month Ending March 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	<u>1</u>	<u>3500.00</u>
Trucks	_____	_____
Automobiles	<u>8</u>	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	<u>2</u>	<u>825.00</u>
Total Equipment Transactions	_____	_____
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	<u>1</u>	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	<u>1</u>	<u>123.00</u>
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	<u>1</u>	<u>32.00</u>
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	_____	_____
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	<u>3</u>	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>48</u>	<u>2646.61</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>65</u>	<u>7126.61</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month	<u>83</u>	Cases Pending At First of Month	<u>263</u>	Cases Completed During the Month	<u>64</u>	Cases Pending At End of Month	<u>282</u>
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(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:

Farm
Property

Farm & Auto.
Equipment

Urban and Com-
mercial Property Misc.

To Project Attorney

To Field Office

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TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 28 For Transportation (WRA-156) 31

Number of Individual

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 22 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 16

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

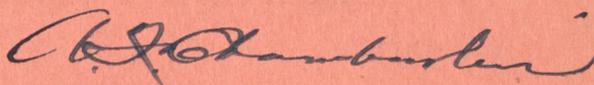
This office notices an increasing interest on the part of Californians to buy out Japanese owners of real property, in some cases, at rather high prices. I have long been expecting an examination of Japanese-owned rural property from title angle for escheat purposes. I believe such a drive is just beginning to get underway.

This office has handled ten cars for relocation during the past month, California to Gila and Gila to relocation destination. Arizona ODT and OPA boards functioning smoothly, still some difficulty in California.

Transportation seems to be gradually improving.

Army induction has slowed down relocation to some extent. The employment situation at Gila Center and more particularly is this office becoming acute; almost impossible to secure qualified assistance. This situation will become worse. Do not expect influx from Jerome Project to supply many skilled Japanese.

Think there should probably be a drive from all projects to remove group storage from Japanese-owned (public) buildings such as, churches, schools, missions, etc.; think an inventory of all warehouses should be taken as soon as possible; think a drive to clear up all net and fishing gear in storage should be made as soon as possible. Such storage represents a large original investment but is subject to terrific deterioration. In connection with group storage, and especially where there has been unauthorized entrance or vandalism, the evacuees hesitate to relocate until they have received a report regarding such storage. In many instances they are at a loss to know whether they still have cooking equipment, household furnishings, etc. Would appreciate information regarding warehouse facilities and location with reference to storage destination of property picked up from private storage in various areas.


A. F. Chamberlin
Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending April 194 4Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	_____	_____
Trucks	2	200 00
Automobiles	9	3 580 00
Other	_____	_____
Collections (Current)	1	52 00
Total Equipment Transactions	11	3 832 00
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	1	6 626 35
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	1	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections (Current)	1	25 04
Debt Adjustments <i>crap</i> (Current)	1	50 00
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	2	6 701 39
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	_____	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	43	18 126 11
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	56	28 659 50

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 29 Cases Pending At First of Month 282 Cases Completed During the Month 56 Cases Pending At End of Month 255

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	Misc.
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>17</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 31 For Transportation (WRA-156) 36

Number of Individual
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 13 Shipped From Project 44
To Relocation Points _____

Project to Tule Lake: 12 Project to Crystal City: 8 Project to other Project 2

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of
significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters;
problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

	No. cases	Amt. involved
BALANCE FORWARD		28 659 50
Funds transmitted WRA 156 Transp. Comm. and/or personal property at Evac. expense	3	610 00
Refunds-difference estimated and actual prepaid carrier chgs (F-156) received and delivered	3	47 58
TOTAL.....		29 317 08

TREATMENT OF CASES:

No case appears on this report in number of amount involved unless actually closed and file shows proper delivery receipt.

Beginning June 1, this office will reflect pending Transp. cases.

COMMENTS:

Facilities should be provided either through Evac. Prop. Off. or Project Administration for forwarding of evacuee funds by telegraph.

This office has experienced some difficulty in securing Title Insurance on recent California real property transfers pending "Walteria" (San Pedro district) case.

Employment situation becoming more serious; almost impossible to secure qualified assistance.

Note "Miscellaneous" reflects among other things, delivery of safety deposit box contents (not valued), evacuee automobiles for relocation, insurance, banking, blocked accounts, etc. This office has initiated, assisted and accomplished some rather important relocation during April.

VISITORS: Edgar Bernhard, Principal Atty. Regional Office, San Francisco.

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Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTYFor Month Ending May 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	<u>3</u>	<u>\$ 4 008 10</u>
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	<u>3</u>	<u>4 008 10</u>
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	<u>2</u>	_____
Trucks	<u>4</u>	<u>393 21</u>
Automobiles	<u>3</u>	<u>1 056 71</u>
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	<u>9</u>	<u>1 449 92</u>
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	<u>1</u>	<u>1 00</u>
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	<u>2</u>	<u>623 00</u>
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	<u>2</u>	<u>74 85</u>
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections (Current)	<u>2</u>	<u>160 00</u>
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	<u>7</u>	<u>858 85</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	<u>5</u>	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>36</u>	<u>3 991 94</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>60</u>	<u>10 308 81</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases	Cases Pending	Cases Completed	Cases Pending
Received This Month <u>61</u>	At First of Month <u>255</u>	During the Month <u>60</u>	At End of Month <u>256</u>
	With supplemental split <u>284</u>	With supplemental split <u>285</u>	
			(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	Misc.
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	_____
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>26</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 30 For Transportation (WRA-156) 38

Number of Individual

Shipped From Project

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 19 To Relocation Points 48

Project to Crystal City: 4 Project to Topaz: 3 Project to Rohwer: 1

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

No. cases Amt. involved

BALANCE FORWARD 10 308.81

Funds transmitted WRA 156 for Trans. Com. and/or personal property at Evac. expense 1 750.00

WRA refunds: difference estimated and actual evacuee prepaid carrier chges (F-156) 4 6.88

Evacuee funds remitted to private storage 3 77.44

TOTAL \$ 11 143.13

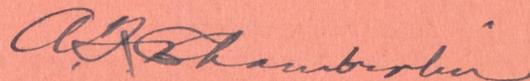
COMMENTS:

Impossible to report pending delinquent transportation cases due to lack of help.

ADDITIONAL:

This office handled baggage and freight shipment of 90 segregees to Tule Lake.

One case escheat Akitomo #10340 (\$12,000. sale)



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Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending JUNE 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	<u>1</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	<u>1</u>	
Collections	<u>1</u>	<u>67.00</u>
Debt Adjustments		
Total Farm Property Transactions	<u>3</u>	<u>567.00</u>
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	<u>1</u>	
Trucks		
Automobiles	<u>5</u>	<u>1,399.85</u>
Other		
Collections	<u>1</u>	<u>27.02</u>
Total Equipment Transactions	<u>7</u>	<u>1,426.87</u>
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments		
Stores and Industrial Property		
Residential Property	<u>1</u>	
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures		
Merchandise	<u>1</u>	
Other		
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments		
Stores and Industrial Property		
Residential Property		
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures		
Other		
Collections (current)	<u>2</u>	<u>47.59</u>
Debt Adjustments		
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	<u>2</u>	<u>47.59</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	<u>3</u>	
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>28</u>	<u>2,251.72</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>46</u>	<u>4,292.18</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month	<u>53</u>	Cases Pending At First of Month	<u>285</u>	Cases Completed During the Month	<u>46</u>	Cases Pending At End of Month	<u>292</u>
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NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	Misc.
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application

Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 22 For Transportation (WRA-156) 25

Number of Individual

Shipped From Project

Shipments of Property: Received at Project 17 To Relocation Points 73

Jerome to Gila: 742

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

No. cases Amt. Involved

4,292.18

BALANCE FORWARD

Funds transmitted WRA 156 for Trans. Com. and/or personal property at Evac. expense 1 12.00

WRA refunds: difference estimated and actual evacuee prepaid carrier charges (F-156) 4 15.08

TOTAL \$ 4,319.26

TRANSPORTATION:

In addition to the above, this office has handled 25 cars of incoming Jerome evacuee freight (2 more cars to come) representing 742 individual transportation cases. First 18 cars received averaged 45,211 pounds costing \$651.00 each which represents an average freight charge on Jerome transferees, men, women, and children, of \$8.46 per individual. In addition, this office has received and distributed 9 cars of checkable baggage. Cars referred to including baggage were loaded not only with evacuee household goods but home-made shelving, tables, chairs, and miscellaneous odd pieces of sheet rock, used lumber, etc., a large portion of which is of questionable value from a shipping standpoint.

Our files evidence 310 active cases WRA Form 155 of which 200 are without EPR (27 cases pending one year or more), and 340 active cases WRA Form 156 of which 230 are without EPR (30 cases pending one year or more).

ADDITIONAL:

During the month of June, this project was visited by representatives from both the State Attorney's Office in Los Angeles and from the District Attorney's Office in Fresno, California for the purpose of making alien identifications and to interview certain evacuees for possible establishment of escheat.

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Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTYFor Month Ending JULY 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	<u>1</u>	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	<u>1</u>	_____
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	<u>1</u>	_____
Trucks	<u>5</u>	_____
Automobiles	<u>8</u>	<u>\$ 950.00</u>
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	<u>14</u>	<u>950.00</u>
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	<u>1</u>	<u>315.31</u>
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections (current)	<u>1</u>	<u>35.00</u>
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	<u>1</u>	<u>350.31</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	<u>1</u>	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>45</u>	<u>4,355.98</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>62</u>	<u>\$ 5,656.29</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases	Cases Pending	Cases Completed	Cases Pending
Received This Month <u>102</u>	At First of Month <u>292</u>	During the Month <u>62</u>	At End of Month <u>332</u>

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	
To Project Attorney	<u>1</u>	_____	_____	Misc.
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>	8

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 40 For Transportation (WRA-156) 63
Jerome pending - Form 155 21 Jerome pending - Form 156 45
Number of Individual Shipped From Project 156
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 98 To Relocation Points 35

Project to Poston-2; Project to McGehee-1; Project to Tule-1
NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

No. of Cases Amt. Involved

\$ 5,656.29

BALANCE FORWARD

Funds transmitted WRA 155-6 for transp. and storage com. and personal property at evacuee expense.

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54.26

TOTAL \$ 5,710.55

TRANSPORTATION:

During the month of July, this office received shipment of one car-load of evacuee property from Los Angeles and vicinity (73 WRA Forms 156). Same was well packed and in good condition.

ADDITIONAL:

During the month of July, this project was visited by John Lawton, Assistant Chief, Evacuee Property Division, San Francisco, and by R. B. Cozzens, Assistant Director, WRA, San Francisco. Gila was also visited by representatives of both the State's Attorney's Office in Los Angeles and the District Attorney's Office of Stockton, California for the purpose of making alien identifications and to interview Evacuees for possible establishment of escheat. certain

COMMENTS:

The recent O.P.A. ceiling on used cars has caused a falling off in Evacuee automobile sales.
I feel that the handling of both general case work and transportation has gradually improved in California within the last four months. This office is well satisfied with services rendered and has gone to some length to acquaint Gila Center Evacuees with difficulties encountered by the Transportation Division.

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Evacuee Property Officer

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending August 1944

Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

No. of Cases Amount Involved

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery	_____	_____
Trucks	_____	_____
Automobiles	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	_____	_____

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	<u>1</u>	<u>---</u>

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____

Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	<u>1</u>	_____

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered	<u>5</u>	<u>---</u>
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>42</u>	<u>5,026.14</u>

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>46</u>	<u>5,026.14</u>
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SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month <u>56</u>	Cases Pending At First of Month <u>532</u>	Cases Completed During the Month <u>46</u>	Cases Pending At End of Month <u>342</u>
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NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & o. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property
To Project Attorney	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>
To Field Office	<u>---</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 19 For Transportation (WRA-156) 26

Number of Individual
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 7 Shipped From Project
Project to Manzanar 1 To Relocation Points 52

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of
significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters;
problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

	<u>No. of Cases</u>	<u>Amt. Involved</u>
BALANCE FORWARD		\$ 5,028.14
Funds transmitted WRA 155-6 for transp. and storage com. and personal property at evacuee expense.	1	13.00
TOTAL.		<u>\$ 5,039.14</u>

COMMENTS:

The undersigned was absent from Gila on a tour of the California
offices from August 14 to 24. Since that time nine members of
the Evacuee Property Staff have relocated from Gila and it has
been quite impossible temporarily to keep casework and records
up to par. Business which should have been finished in August
will be concluded as soon as possible.

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Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending September 1944

Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	<u>1</u>	<u>12,000.00</u>
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	_____	_____
Trucks	_____	_____
Automobiles	_____	_____
Other	<u>2</u>	<u>655.00</u>
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	_____	_____
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	<u>4</u>	<u>8,312.59</u>
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	<u>1</u>	<u>—</u>
Other	<u>2</u>	<u>210.00</u>
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections (2 current)	<u>1</u>	<u>263.85</u>
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	_____	_____
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	<u>3</u>	<u>—</u>
Miscellaneous Services Performed	<u>47</u>	<u>2,107.23</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	<u>61</u>	<u>23,548.67</u>

SUMMARY:

Total Cases Received This Month 65 At First of Month 332 Cases Pending 64 During the Month 64 Cases Completed 1 At End of Month 333 Cases Pending

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____
To Field Office	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 17 For Transportation (WRA-156) 22

Number of Individual
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 6 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 49
Special Transfer 5

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

BALANCE FORWARD \$23,543.07

	<u>No. Cases</u>	<u>amt. Involved</u>
Transmitted Funds Form 156 Evacuee Expense	none	
Refunds received and delivered	2	<u>4.79</u>
TOTAL		\$23,553.46

COMMENTS:

We are facing quite a labor shortage in all divisions here at Gila Center and it has been quite impossible to keep all case work and records up to par throughout the month of September. Evacuee leaders here have organized a Man-Power Commission which may remedy this, if and when it begins operation. This office is thirteen staff members short. However, we managed to handle almost 50 tons of freight for relocation within the last ten days. I should like to compliment all California offices, both field and area, for prompt and efficient services rendered this office on general case work during September. There are still a few shipments from California, both to Gila and for relocation, which have been delayed.

I will again state that, in my opinion, project property offices should be set up on a division basis with Caucasian assistance.

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Evacuee Property Officer

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending October 1944Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

	No. of Cases	Amount Involved
FARM PROPERTY:		
Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____
FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:		
Sales: Farm Machinery	_____	_____
Trucks	_____	_____
Automobiles	1	500.00
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	_____	_____
URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:		
Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	1	500.00
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	1	35.00
Leases and Other Types of Management:		
Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Collections	(2 current)	19.70
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	_____	_____
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:		
Inquiries Answered	16	--
Miscellaneous Services Performed	35	10,503.70
TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	54	11,058.40

SUMMARY:

Total Cases	Cases Pending	Cases Completed	Cases Pending
Received This Month <u>10</u>	At First of Month <u>342</u>	During the Month <u>54</u>	At End of Month <u>298</u>

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	<u>OTHER</u>
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	
To Field Office	_____	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 0 For Transportation (WRA-156) 10

Number of Individual Shipments of Property: Received at Project 29 Shipped From Project To Relocation Points 00
Special Transfer 3

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

BALANCE FORWARD		\$11,068.40
Transmitted Funds From 106 Evacuee Expense	<u>No. Cases</u> none	<u>Am. Involved</u>
Refunds received and delivered	<u>2</u>	<u>257.75</u>
TOTAL		\$11,316.15

COMMENTS:

The 93 Relocation Shipments above mentioned consisted of 868 items - total 83,003 lbs., shipped from Gila during October. In addition, Gila received 17 separate GBL shipments and one carload of freight from California.

Estimated gross weight of evacuee freight in Project storage as of October 20, 1944, is 70 tons, 40 tons awaiting relocation instructions and 30 tons in process GBL.

Estimated gross weight of freight in evacuee barracks--1500 tons. Early relocation largely individual, small shipments. Present relocation more family units, larger shipments. Approximate population, October 20, 1944, 9300 - 2313 family occupied barracks - 698 barracks occupied unmarried. Present average family 3.66 members. Estimated shipping weight per camp capita 325 lbs., freight--probably add 100 lbs., hand and 150 lbs., checkable baggage.

Labor situation still very unsatisfactory.

Please note no cases are listed on the monthly report from Gila, except cases that have been definitely closed and complete delivery accomplished. No amount is set up as "Funds Involved" except actual cash handled, e.g., a sale of real property may be accomplished in October but the case will not appear in the monthly report until the evacuee owner's receipt for proceeds has been secured. In some cases, evacuees are off project and there is delay.

Note: The rumor of the imminence of California's opening is causing somewhat of a slump in relocation.

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Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending November 1944

Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

No. of
Cases

Amount
Involved

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections (1 current)	4	\$ 2263.50
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery	_____	_____
Trucks	_____	_____
Automobiles	3	620.00
Other	_____	_____
Collections	_____	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	_____	_____

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	1	1130.00
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	1	83.65

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____

Collections (6 current)	_____	321.50
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	_____	_____

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered	9	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	32	7593.36

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE: 50 \$12012.01

SUMMARY:

Total Cases	Cases Pending	Cases Completed	Cases Pending
Received This Month <u>13</u>	At First of Month <u>298</u>	During the Month <u>50</u>	At End of Month <u>261</u>

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	Other
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 22 For Transportation (WRA-156) 24

Number of Individual Shipments of Property: Received at Project 21 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 28
Special Transfer 1

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

BALANCE FORWARD \$12012.01

	<u>No. Cases</u>	<u>Amt. Involved</u>
Transmitted Funds Form 156 Evacuee Expense	1	15.00
Transmitted Funds To Cover Storage Evacuee Expense	1	35.00
Refunds received and delivered	1	<u>2.13</u>
TOTAL		\$12064.14

COMMENTS:

"Shipments received at Project" included one carload of evacuee freight from the San Francisco area which contained unidentified group storage. Our October report failed to make mention of the unidentified group storage shipment (single carload) from Guadalupe, California, Today's Fish Market, Y. Minami & Sons.

Relocation shipments above mentioned consisted of 23,271 pounds. The slump in freight shipments is due, of course, to decreasing relocation during winter season and uncertainty regarding the reopening of California.

NOTE: We will very much appreciate notification by the California offices of the date of relocation shipments of evacuee freight from California to relocation destination. Very often, our first information that such shipments have been made come from an evacuee himself who had relocated or from members of his family still on Project. I realize that occasionally freight is shipped from California on outside request but in nearly all cases, such requests from relocated Gila evacuees originate through this office.

/s/ A. F. Chamberlin
Evacuee Property Officer

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Budget Bureau No. 13-R041
Approval Expires: 11/30/44

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending December 194 4

Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

No. of Cases	Amount Involved
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FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Leases (Total Acreage _____)	_____	_____
Collections (3 current)	2	\$10342.55
Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
Total Farm Property Transactions	_____	_____

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery	2	1400.00
Trucks	1	400.46
Automobiles	3	1418.00
Other	_____	_____
Collections	1	_____
Total Equipment Transactions	_____	_____

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Merchandise	_____	_____
Other	1	_____

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments	_____	_____
Stores and Industrial Property	_____	_____
Residential Property	_____	_____
Industrial Equipment & Fixtures	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____

Collections (1 current)	_____	19.85
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Debt Adjustments	_____	_____
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Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month	_____	_____
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MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered	10	_____
Miscellaneous Services Performed	32	5326.14

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE:	52	\$18907.00
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SUMMARY:

Total Cases	Cases Pending	Cases Completed	Cases Pending
Received This Month <u>53</u>	At First of Month <u>354</u>	During the Month <u>52</u>	At End of Month <u>355</u>

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	<u>OTHER</u>
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	
To Field Office	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	16

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 5 For Transportation (WRA-156) 9

Number of Individual
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 10 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 19
Special Transfer 5

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

BALANCE FORWARD	<u>No. Cases</u>	<u>\$18907.00</u> <u>Amt. Involved</u>
Transmitted Funds Form 156 Evacuee Expense	1	25.00
Transmitted Funds to Cover Storage Evacuee Expense	1	1.00
Redunds Received and Delivered	1	4.00
Total.....		\$18937.00

COMMENTS:

Apparently, there has been some confusion in totaling the number of cases received in both the October and November reports. Prior to that time, "miscellaneous cases" were added and they are again added in this month's report. I refer to cases such as the forwarding of evacuee funds by telegraph, etc. However, cases pending at the end of the month (355) are, of course, general cases and not "miscellaneous".

In this office is still short of qualified assistance.

I think it important that Manual Release 158 should be immediately amended, granting WRA packing, crating, and pickup of evacuee household and personal effects from private storage in the evacuated area for relocation shipment on Form 156. Present instruction will, I believe, retard relocation.

(S) A. F. Chamberlin
A.F. Chamberlin
Evacuee Property Officer

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
MONTHLY REPORT

EVACUEE PROPERTY

Feb. Mar. Apr. May, June

FOR MONTH OF _____, 1945

CENTER Gila

PROPERTY CASES

	NO. CASES AT BEGINNING OF -MONTH	NEW CASES RECEIVED DURING MONTH	CASES CLOSED DURING -MONTH	CASES PENDING AT END OF MONTH	AMOUNT COLLECTED (CURRENT ACCOUNTS)
SALES:	February	period	period	June	
<u>REAL ESTATE</u>					
FARM LAND	<u>6</u>	<u> </u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7350.66</u>
HOTELS & APARTMENTS	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u> </u>
RESIDENCES	<u>7</u>	<u> </u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5059.00</u>
STORES & SHOPS	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY	<u>6</u>	<u> </u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>
OTHER	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>					
FARM MACHINERY	<u>31</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1490.00</u>
AUTOMOBILES	<u>30</u>	<u> </u>	<u>24</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1567.50</u>
TRUCKS	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>300.00</u>
STORE FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>900.00</u>
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u> </u>
OTHER	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>
<u>LEASES: REAL ESTATE</u>					
FARM LAND	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>
HOTELS & APARTMENTS	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u> </u>
RESIDENCES	<u>2</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>2</u>	<u> </u>
STORES & SHOPS	<u>2</u>	<u> </u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u> </u>
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u> </u>
OTHER	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL (EACH COLUMN)	<u>122</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>15,091.60</u>
DEBT ADJUSTMENTS	<u>three</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>\$765</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
COLLECTIONS (OLD ACCOUNTS)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES (SPECIFY)

see reverse

(Examiners have 60 case files. These are not included in above tabulations)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED TO

LOS ANGELES AREA OFFICE	<u>21</u>
SAN FRANCISCO AREA OFF.	<u>24</u>
SEATTLE AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>

MISCELLANEOUS

TOTAL OF DAILY INTERVIEWS	<u>609</u>
NUMBER OF GROUP MEETINGS ATTENDED	<u>34</u>
NUMBER OF NEWS ITEMS PREPARED	<u>3</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE

FORMS SUBMITTED From February 1 to June 30, 1945

FORM WRA-155, FOR STORAGE IN THE EVACUATED AREA		
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER SAN FRANCISCO AREA OFFICE	<u>13</u>	
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER SEATTLE AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>	
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER LOS ANGELES AREA OFFICE	<u>7</u>	
FORM WRA-156		
FROM EVACUATED AREA TO PROJECT	<u>50</u>	
FROM EVACUATED AREA TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>51</u>	
FROM PROJECT TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>962</u>	
FOR SHIPMENT - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE TO RELOCATION POINT		<u>none</u>
FOR SHIPMENT - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AT EVACUEE EXPENSE TO RELOCATION POINT		<u>none</u>
FORM WRA-223, FOR STORAGE IN PROJECT WAREHOUSE	<u>122 - total lots in project storage</u>	

WAREHOUSE ACTIVITY

NO. FAMILY LOTS RECEIVED AT PROJECT	<u>55</u>
NO. FAMILY LOTS SHIPPED FROM PROJECT TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>962 (includes both freight & express)</u>
NO. FAMILY LOTS SHIPPED FROM PROJECT TO OTHER PROJECTS	<u>0</u>

CONTRABAND

NO. CASES REQUEST FOR RETURN OF CONTRABAND	<u>31 (some very old cases are not</u>
NO. INDIVIDUAL SHIPMENT, CONTRABAND RECEIVED AT THE PROJECT	<u>9</u> included)

NARRATIVE REPORT: (SUBMIT A NARRATIVE REPORT ON PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE EVACUEE PROPERTY PROGRAM AT THE CENTER; PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED; COMPLAINTS RECEIVED; SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.)

Case Description	No. of cases	Closed	Pending
1. Collection of accounts	56	28	28
2. Property Management	7	5	2
3. Eminent Domain (not escheat)	5	0	5
4. Sumitomo & Yohahama Bank	19	5	14
5. Collection on matured life ins. policies	11	8	3
6. Special licenses and unblocking accounts	19	16	3
7. Eviction of tenants	6	1	5
8. Estates of deceased	3	1	2
9. Real property investigations	13	8	5
10. Extract safety box contents	5	5	0
11. Liquidation of indebtedness	5	3	2
12. Terminal Island	6	0	6
13. Other	<u>27</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>12</u>
TOTAL	182	95	87

GILA RIVER PROJECT
RIVERS, ARIZONA

NARRATIVE REPORT

This Evacuee Property Officer's first report of Center Evacuee Property activities is tendered not only with timidity but with trepidation. Timidly because it is the first; fearful of its accomplishments.

To the uninitiated a Reporting Form is both awing and confounding. A high and low search disclosed no instructions on its preparation other than the general release of January 1, 1945. To make matters worse no one on our present evacuee staff ever assisted in preparing a monthly report.

This report covers February, March, April, May and June. The files were in pretty rugged condition when the new Evacuee Property Officer took over and it would be impossible to give any chronological sequence of what happened. Many had been prematurely closed while others had died either a neglected death or had survived only because they could not die. We are slightly apprehensive this submittal will not portray an accurate picture as many of the cases listed will require further review and perhaps revision.

The Examining Unit completed its work June 22, 1945. The job was long and tedious and the Examiners' assignment was not an enviable one; nor are we unappreciative of the guidance and assistance they gave us. The first two months were pretty confusing and without them our task would have been a very difficult one.

A great number and variety of cases requiring additional work were uncovered. We are indebted to the Examiners for their cooperation in calling these files to our attention and for the assistance they gave us either bringing them to life or a satisfactory close. There is one regret. They did not leave a copy of their report for our guidance in completing these cases. This would have been wonderful. Incidentally they took 60 files for further examination which are not counted on the WRA 241.

The Evacuee Property appointed staff has increased threefold since February. First Catherine Hutcheson came as Secretary. She was transferred from the Project Director's office and her experience in office procedure and routine has been a great

help. The first thing she did was install a badly needed "tickler system". As a result our correspondence gets answered on time. Secondly she combined the case files. So now instead of plowing through four or five cabinets for a complete file all can be found in one place.

Marlowe Bemis was reassigned to us about three months ago. He was formerly Assistant Procurement Officer and has had wide experience in handling Government Bills of Lading besides being thoroughly familiar with shipping procedures. His appointment was timely and as Assistant Evacuee Property Officer he has direct supervision of Center relocation shipments. On the side he handles a good share of the stale cases we are trying to clean up.

Our Evacuee Staff is complete. We believe it to be the best of any Section. Unfortunately many will be leaving in coming months. The men in charge of the shipping and storage desks in each camp are doing a bang-up job. We have another handling contraband who is extremely keen and well qualified. For the older Isseis we were fortunate in securing a high type and experienced business man. Not the least of our good luck is the clerical staff. An A-1 stenographer and eight first-class clerks and typists round out the office force. We are grateful to all of them as they have pitched in with fine spirit.

We feel we are well set up to take care of relocation shipments and are truly appreciative of the co-operation given by The Engineering Section. They not only construct the boxes and do the crating but also deliver them to relocating residents, make the pick up and do the addressing and weighing. Our box problem is pretty bad but we expect to secure several thousand through purchases from Army depots.

Negotiations are now under way to secure trucking service for evacuee property shipments to the West coast. Several concerns are bidding for this business and we hope to reach a decision shortly which will accomplish three things; 1) give faster service; 2) give store-door delivery; 3) eliminate the need for express shipments.

It was found the Universal Car Loading offer did not include service to the West Coast. We will, however, use this accommodation for East and North bound freight. We are not sure yet whether or not it will be fast enough to warrant elimination of express shipments. However this possibility is being explored.

Fortunately we have a spur and warehouse only ten miles distant from the Center. Cars will be spotted there and we will utilize the warehouse for storage purposes until a car load lot is ready to move.

The subject of Center warehousing of relocated evacuees' property is a touchy one. Instructions provide it must be moved in 60 days. If not relocatees are to be addressed by registered mail and shipping orders requested. This is all right if they give these instructions but supposing they don't and the property is shipped on a GBL. What happens if the consignee refuses to sign the GBL and receive his property. This is not an improbable outcome. Often the property does not amount to a great deal insofar as value is concerned. Furthermore it may be a pile of junk he did not want anyhow. Another point; if the evacuee does not give shipping instructions are we authorized to move the property without a 156 Form.

The manual speaks vaguely of trying to find the property owner if the registered letter is returned. Are any further instructions contemplated in this event? We want to get out of the warehouse business here so hope some advice will be forthcoming along these lines.

Probably we would be comforted to know just how hard to bear down in these cases. Is the rule firm and fast without elasticity or will it stand some stretching? The housing shortage is acute and relocatees often just find a cubby-hole with no allowances for storage space. Every once in a while this criticism has to be answered.

For the last two months the Relocation Program Officer, Welfare Councilor and Evacuee Property Officer have been holding block meetings at night to answer questions of residents on the post exclusion program. We sit sort of en banc and as a question comes from the floor the appropriate one of us answers it. Usually from 50-70 residents attended. The entire Center has been covered in this fashion.

Evacuee property questions at these meetings usually concerned storage and shipment. Contraband always came up. Assistance in property matters after relocation was usually good for a question or two.

Assistance from the District Area offices has been most satisfactory. On a recent trip to the Coast The Evacuee Property officer met the Sacramento, San Francisco and Los Angeles property staffs. They assured the Center of complete co-operation asking only that we give them our problems. However we could not leave this paragraph without throwing a bouquet to the Santa Barbara District office. Eric Thomsen and staff have tendered us some wonderful reports.

Eviction cases are giving us trouble. Many evacuees just don't realize there are laws and procedures covering the subject. Neither do they understand that the process is often slow and occasionally unsuccessful. We seem to have it pretty well in hand now. Area and District offices are assisting in the service of notices and otherwise rendering help. We hope they can be more active in giving advice and counsel to returning relocatees who come in bewildered after a session with a set of OPA rules and regulations.

The Terminal Island cases are moving too slow. Many of its residents were evacuated on one hours notice and had no time to arrange for disposition of their personal effects. They now want to relocate but have had no word from the Navy Department relative to their belongings. We have sent several cases in as provided by Administrative Notice 213 but apparently the Navy has not acted on them.

Since the reopening of California our evacuee property business has dropped in some categories and arisen in others. We have opened very few cases in Sales and Leases. As a matter of fact there have been many cancellations, some where negotiations were already under way. This was to be expected and we regret it did not come sooner as many evacuees ill advisedly disposed of their property and holdings at distress sale prices. However we are having a great run on unblocking accounts; securing Sumitomo and Yokohama Specie Bank deposits; and account collections. Of the later many are pretty hopeless because of age.

We are a little undecided on one matter that has arisen in connection with the post exclusion program. This concerns investigation of eligibility for Resettlement Assistance and verifying property holdings for Dependency Summaries. Our files, of course, are always open for inspection by the Welfare staff. However we have a great many requests to have the Area office verify personal property holdings under private storage. Perhaps the client claims he left a bed and washing machine with some one described as Joe residing on a farm near Stockton. Or

he left all his household goods stored in a barn on his former landlord's ranch. Or he left his property in custody of a Mexican in El Centro and he thinks the custodian has absconded. Is it proper for the Evacuee Property office to request the Area office to investigate these cases? We have been doing it but wonder if such work comes within their function. Probably more important, do they have the time and staff.

We were glad to learn the recent regulation covering disposition of case files had been amended to give Evacuee Property Officers discretion in transmitting relocators' files to the Washington office. That will permit us to put some of them in better shape and complete the stale ones which had never been closed. It would be awfully easy to snap a rubber band around an incompleated file and send it on but we would prefer to do it the hard way.

Probably all Centers are running into the difficulty of getting the GBLs properly accomplished by consignees. At least we are having our troubles. It has been cured in part by a new transmittal sheet with instructions in both Japanese and English. We are attaching a copy for reference. However this is not advanced as a panacea as we are reconciled to the position there is no cure-all.

It would be helpful if each Center's Evacuee Property reports could be circulated around. Not only would we know what the other fellow was doing but it would be a means of exchanging ideas and experience. The Center Project Attorney gets something of this sort weekly and he certainly enjoys them. As a matter of fact he often calls attention to items pertaining to the evacuee property field.

Property shipments from the Center really jumped in June. In February the total weight was 127,672 pounds; March, 106,709; April, 124,310; May, 170,882; and June, 369,607. This includes both freight and express. These represented family lots of 109 for February; 112 for March; 138 for April; 226 for May; and 377 for June. It averages to roughly 1000 pounds per family.

For the month of June 59 per cent were consigned to California; 27 per cent to the East; and 14 per cent to points North and South. Although this is only a guess we would not be surprised to find the percentage of West bound shipments rising to between 65 and 70 per cent.

We are attaching a schedule indicating shipments received at the Center during the reporting period. We are trying to keep these

at a minimum but it often becomes necessary to approve movements of this kind as a convenience to families who are splitting up. (Grandma's linen and silverware may be in a trunk stored in California and she is going East while the rest of the family has uncertain plans).

Well this just about covers the field. Our reports from now on will come in on time and, we trust, in satisfactory shape.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
GILA RIVER PROJECT
RIVERS, ARIZONA

GBL WRA-4 _____ 45 BL

Shipment Made _____

READ THIS CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS

The paper attached to this letter is a Government Bill of Lading (GBL). It authorizes shipment of your personal property at Government expense.

When your property arrives--

1. Sign your name as consignee at the red check mark and fill in the "Consignee's Certificate of Delivery" at the bottom of the Government Bill of Lading.

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且ノ赤線ノ下ノ所へ運送会社ノ名前荷物ヲ受取リタル場所
及ビ目方ヲ記入スルコト

2. Give this signed Government Bill of Lading to the Freight agent or Express agent.

署名シタル政府発行ノ送り状ハフレット係り員又ハエクス
プレスノ係り員ニ渡スコト

3. Sign this letter and date it in the space provided below and return it to us in the enclosed envelope requiring no postage.

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PAY NO FREIGHT OR EXPRESS CHARGES ON THIS SHIPMENT.

フレット係り員又ハエクスプレス係り員ニ荷物運搬料ヲ支払フ必
要ナシ

If for any reason you have already paid charges on the shipment, sign and fill in the Government Bill of Lading as instructed above and your freight or express agent will refund your money.

In case property is damaged or any item is missing, you must also write a full explanation on the back of the Government Bill of Lading.

Thomas Reynolds
Evacuee Property Officer

Shipment Received _____
Date

Your Name _____

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
MONTHLY REPORT

EVACUEE PROPERTY

FOR MONTH OF July, 1945

CENTER Gila

PROPERTY CASES

	NO. CASES AT BEGINNING OF MONTH	NEW CASES RECEIVED DURING MONTH	CASES CLOSED DURING MONTH	CASES PENDING AT END OF MONTH	AMOUNT COLLECTED (CURRENT ACCOUNTS)
SALES:					
<u>REAL ESTATE</u>					
FARM LAND	<u>2</u>		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	
HOTELS & APARTMENTS	<u>0</u>			<u>0</u>	
RESIDENCES	<u>3</u>		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	
STORES & SHOPS	<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>	
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY	<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>	
OTHER	<u>0</u>			<u>0</u>	
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>					
FARM MACHINERY	<u>6</u>			<u>6</u>	
AUTOMOBILES	<u>6</u>		<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	
TRUCKS	<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>	
STORE FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT	<u>6</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	<u>4</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	
OTHER	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
LEASES: REAL ESTATE					
FARM LAND	<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	
HOTELS & APARTMENTS	<u>0</u>			<u>0</u>	
RESIDENCES	<u>2</u>			<u>2</u>	<u>100</u>
STORES & SHOPS	<u>0</u>			<u>0</u>	
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY	<u>0</u>			<u>0</u>	
OTHER	<u>0</u>			<u>0</u>	
TOTAL (EACH COLUMN)	<u>34</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>25</u>	

DEBT ADJUSTMENTS One case closed - \$24 paid in full

COLLECTIONS (OLD ACCOUNTS) _____

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES (SPECIFY)
See reverse

NUMBER CASES REFERRED TO

LOS ANGELES AREA OFFICE 7

SAN FRANCISCO AREA OFF. 5

SEATTLE AREA OFFICE _____

MISCELLANEOUS

TOTAL OF DAILY INTERVIEWS 108

NUMBER OF GROUP MEETINGS ATTENDED 5

NUMBER OF NEWS ITEMS PREPARED _____



TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE

FORMS SUBMITTED

FORM WRA-155, FOR STORAGE IN THE EVACUATED AREA			
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER SAN FRANCISCO AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>		
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER SEATTLE AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>		
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER LOS ANGELES AREA OFFICE	<u>1</u>		
 FORM WRA-156			
FROM EVACUATED AREA TO PROJECT	<u>0</u>		
FROM EVACUATED AREA TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>20</u>		
FROM PROJECT TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>351</u>		
FOR SHIPMENT - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE TO RELOCATION POINT		<u>1</u>	
FOR SHIPMENT - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AT EVACUEE EXPENSE TO RELOCATION POINT		<u>0</u>	
From evacuated area to other project	<u>1</u>		
 FORM WRA-223, FOR STORAGE IN PROJECT WAREHOUSE		<u>38</u>	

WAREHOUSE ACTIVITY

NO. FAMILY LOTS RECEIVED AT PROJECT	<u>2</u>
NO. FAMILY LOTS SHIPPED FROM PROJECT TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>10</u>
NO. FAMILY LOTS SHIPPED FROM PROJECT TO OTHER PROJECTS	<u>0</u>

CONTRABAND

NO. CASES REQUEST FOR RETURN OF CONTRABAND	<u>10</u>
NO. INDIVIDUAL SHIPMENT, CONTRABAND RECEIVED AT THE PROJECT	<u>7</u>

NARRATIVE REPORT: (SUBMIT A NARRATIVE REPORT ON PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE EVACUEE PROPERTY PROGRAM AT THE CENTER; PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED; COMPLAINTS RECEIVED; SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.)

CASE	Pending	Opened	Closed	Pending
Collection ofAccounts	28		13	15
Property Management	2			2
Eminent Domain	5			5
Sumitomo & Yokohama Bank	14	20	23	11
Collection on Matured life ins.	3			3
Special Licenses	3	5	6	2
Eviction ofTenants	5	4	2	7
Estates of Deceased	2	1		3
Real Property Investigation	5		2	3
Extract Safety box contents	0	1	1	0
Liquidation of Indebtedness	2		2	0
Terminal Island	6			6
Other	12	7	5	14
Total	<u>87</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>71</u>

GILA RIVER PROJECT
RIVERS, ARIZONA

NARRATIVE REPORT

After last month's somewhat lengthy as well as tardy report it may be comforting to know at the outset that this one is being abbreviated.

Seventy five per cent of our time during July was spent on evacuee property shipments. We are being pretty careful about opening new cases where the evacuee is free and able to return to the evacuated area. Of the 12 referred to area offices all pertained to eviction of tenants or property investigations closely connected to relocation. Of course we are handling some not requiring area assistance here in our office.

We had little time during the month to work on the remaining old cases although a few were cleaned up. Probably the majority of property cases pending should be closed without further ado. This is particularly true of those persons returning to California as they undoubtedly will not want to dispose of their holdings. As a matter of fact many with pending cases have already gone and there is little left to do but make appropriate notations and close them out.

We are having a great deal of trouble recruiting evacuee help to pick-up and load outgoing property shipments. The best we can get are young boys who lack the weight and stamina to perform this work. A request has been given to the Personnel Office for at least four hourly rate loaders which we hope will receive favorable attention real quick.

Crating and boxing is also having its troubles and we are thankful the Engineering Section is taking care of that end. It is understood additional hourly personnel has been requested by that Section in order to continue this service.

The boxes received from Army depots have been far from satisfactory although useable. They are often small, odd size and have been battered around pretty badly by the time we get them. The only answer we can give beefers is "that is all there is and we are probably lucky to have them."

As far as transportation of property is concerned we are well

fixed. Tom Vinson, Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor gave us a lot of help in contacting the various trucking services. We now use three methods.

- 1) Property shipments to California and the other Western States plus Texas and Oklahoma go by Western Truck Lines. They keep two large boxes spotted continuously, one in each camp, and pick-ups are made daily. The boxes move each day whether filled or not. This gives pretty fast service. Twelve hours to Los Angeles and about thirty-six to points north. Incidentally this is a good deal for the carrier as most of their hauls are eastbound from the coast so anything they can pick-up westbound is gravy.
- 2) Property shipments to the east are handled through Universal Car Loading. They pick-up here at the Center on request when over 12,000 pounds has accumulated.
- 3) Express shipments to the east are made within Manual regulations in the usual manner. Perhaps after we have a better estimate of time on eastern shipments this service will be eliminated and all shipped via Universal Car Loading.

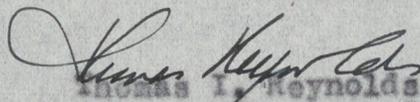
The weight of property shipments for relocators has taken a slight spurt this month. The breakdown is as follows:

California	350,189
Other Western States	79,488
East	<u>92,569</u>
TOTAL	522,246

Although this may look pretty good it is only a starter. According to the best figures we can get there still remain some 2200 families in the Center. During July our shipments averaged close to 2000 pounds per family. If this average applies to the remaining 2200 we will have between four and five million pounds to move by November 15. This is roughly 1,300,000 pounds per month or substantially more than our present rate.

Incidentally no one has yet told us whether it is legal to ship property to relocated evacuees, where it has been in Center storage over sixty days, without a 156 Form. Can a GEL be prepared unsupported by a Transportation Request? We would still like to know what the carrier is going to do with the property if the owner refuses to accept it.

Well thats all for now.


Thomas I. Reynolds
Evacuee Property Officer

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY
MONTHLY REPORT

EVACUEE PROPERTY

FOR MONTH OF August, 1945

CENTER Gila River Project

PROPERTY CASES

	NO. CASES AT BEGINNING OF MONTH	NEW CASES RECEIVED DURING MONTH	CASES CLOSED DURING MONTH	CASES PENDING AT END OF MONTH	AMOUNT COLLECTED (CURRENT ACCOUNTS)
SALES:					
<u>REAL ESTATE</u>					
FARM LAND	0	0	0	0	
HOTELS & APARTMENTS	0	0	0	0	
RESIDENCES	1	0	1	0	
STORES & SHOPS	1	0	1	0	
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY	1	0	0	0	
OTHER					
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>					
FARM MACHINERY	6	0	5	1	
AUTOMOBILES	4	0	1	3	
TRUCKS	1	0	1	0	
STORE FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT	5	0	4	1	
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	0	0	0	0	
OTHER	3	0	3	0	
	1	0	1	0	
LEASES: REAL ESTATE					
FARM LAND	0	0	0	0	
HOTELS & APARTMENTS	0	0	0	0	
RESIDENCES	2	0	2	0	
STORES & SHOPS	0	0	0	0	
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	
OTHER	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL (EACH COLUMN)	<u>25</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>5</u>	

DEBT ADJUSTMENTS No

COLLECTIONS (OLD ACCOUNTS) \$40

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES (SPECIFY)
See Reverse

NUMBER CASES REFERRED TO		MISCELLANEOUS	
LOS ANGELES AREA OFFICE	<u>8</u>	TOTAL OF DAILY INTERVIEWS	<u>86</u>
SAN FRANCISCO AREA OFF.	<u>3</u>	NUMBER OF GROUP MEETINGS ATTENDED	<u>4</u>
SEATTLE AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>	NUMBER OF NEWS ITEMS PREPARED	<u>0</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE

FORMS SUBMITTED

FORM WRA-155, FOR STORAGE IN THE EVACUATED AREA	
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER SAN FRANCISCO AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER SEATTLE AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>
IN WAREHOUSES UNDER LOS ANGELES AREA OFFICE	<u>0</u>
 FORM WRA-156	
FROM EVACUATED AREA TO PROJECT	<u>0</u>
FROM EVACUATED AREA TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>17</u>
FROM PROJECT TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>653</u>
FOR SHIPMENT - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE TO RELOCATION POINT	<u> </u>
FOR SHIPMENT - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AT EVACUEE EXPENSE TO RELOCATION POINT	<u> </u>
 FORM WRA-223, FOR STORAGE IN PROJECT WAREHOUSE	<u>17</u>

WAREHOUSE ACTIVITY

NO. FAMILY LOTS RECEIVED AT PROJECT	<u>0</u>
NO. FAMILY LOTS SHIPPED FROM PROJECT TO RELOCATION POINT	<u>10</u>
NO. FAMILY LOTS SHIPPED FROM PROJECT TO OTHER PROJECTS	<u>0</u>

CONTRABAND

NO. CASES REQUEST FOR RETURN OF CONTRABAND	<u>4</u>
NO. INDIVIDUAL SHIPMENT, CONTRABAND RECEIVED AT THE PROJECT	<u>8</u>

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	<u>Pending</u>	<u>Opened</u>	<u>Closed</u>	<u>Pending</u>
Collection of Accts.	15		1	14
Property Management	2			2
Eminent Domain	5			5
Sumitomo & Yokahama Bank	11		1	10
Collection on Life Ins.	3	1		4
Special License	2			2
Eviction of Tenants	7	6	4	9
Estate of Deceased	3	1		4
Real Property Investigation	3	2	4	1
Extract Safety Box Contents	0			0
Liquidation of Indebtness	0			0
Terminal Island	6			6
Other	14	2	8	8
 TOTAL	 71	 12	 18	 65

EVACUEE PROPERTY

NARRATIVE REPORT

Probably the most welcome news The Evacuee Property Section can report for August is that we are awfully busy with property shipments. The 1,087,346 pounds (10,388 pieces) moved during the month a little more than doubled July's 522,246 pounds. The directional breakdown is as follows:

1) Rocky Mountain Area	107,827
2) Eastern Area	154,456
3) West Coast Area	825,063
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TOTAL	1,087,346

Although it is pretty hard to tell, we judge some 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 pounds of property is yet to be shipped. Sixteen hundred and twenty-four persons relocated during August with an average of 670 pounds of property per person. There are approximately 5,000 residents remaining so the current per capita average would leave us with about 3,350,000 pounds. However, it may run higher as many people have left property in Center storage pending completed resettlement plans. Furthermore about 20 per cent of the August relocatees were family heads who took only a minimum of property with them. The balance will go when the rest of the family leaves. In addition we have many large family units left and a very high percentage of Issei. It is not unreasonable to assume they are endowed with more worldly goods than the present average. Taking it all in all we are inclined to set the property residue at close to 4,000,000 pounds.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that some limitation or restriction might well have been considered for property shipments. Rough home made furniture of all sorts is the most persistent offender. By the time it is crated freight charges per item may run to three or four dollars - far in excess of the property's value.

Our Evacuee Staff is practically non-existent. We are down to three and two of them will leave within the fortnight. However our appointed staff has been recruited up to full strength and, in addition, several persons have been detailed from other sections.

The case file work is moving rather slowly as time just cannot be spared for it at present. Once Canal is closed the pressure should be off and we will have an opportunity to bring them to good order. This, of course, does not apply to active cases as they are being maintained on a current basis.

An interesting estate case developed during the month. A resident died intestate and without heirs. Assets we have been able to locate include: 1) a \$4541.18 savings account in The Dermott State Bank, Arkansas; 2) a \$10,849.74 savings account in the Los Angeles Bank of America; 3) a \$1775.97 checking account in the same bank; 4) storage and safekeeping receipt listing 9061 shares of stock in 51 different corporations in the Los Angeles Bank of America safety deposit vault; 5) Yokohama Bank fixed deposit certificates totaling \$3789.89; 6) and a great number of unendorsed dividend checks.

We are now waiting to hear from the Los Angeles Public Administrator who has applied for Letters of Administration in the case.

Monthly Report

EVACUEE PROPERTY

For Month Ending October 31 1945Center Gila River

CASES HANDLED DURING MONTH:

No. of
CasesAmount
Involved

FARM PROPERTY:

Sales (Total Acreage _____)
 Leases (Total Acreage _____)
 Collections
 Debt Adjustments
 Total Farm Property Transactions

FARM AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Sales: Farm Machinery
 Trucks
 Automobiles
 Other

2
12

1097.45
3595.00

Collections

1

80.05

Total Equipment Transactions

15

4772.50

URBAN AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

Sales: Hotels and Apartments
 Stores and Industrial Property
 Residential Property
 Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
 Merchandise
 Other

1
1

15421.95
169.00

Leases and Other Types of Management:

Hotels and Apartments
 Stores and Industrial Property
 Residential Property
 Industrial Equipment & Fixtures
 Other

Collections

1

381.50

Debt Adjustments

Total of Such Transactions Handled This Month

3

15972.40

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY:

Inquiries Answered
 Miscellaneous Services Performed

No accurate number available
24

2875.30TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN TRANSACTIONS LISTED ABOVE: 4223618.25

SUMMARY:

Total Cases _____ Cases Pending _____ Cases Completed _____ Cases Pending _____
 Received This Month 42 At First of Month 218 During the Month 42 At End of Month 208

(OVER)

NUMBER CASES REFERRED:	Farm Property	Farm & Auto. Equipment	Urban and Com- mercial Property	<i>misc</i>
To Project Attorney	_____	_____	_____	
To Field Office	<u>1</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE:

Number of Application
Forms Transmitted: For Storage (WRA-155) 27 For Transportation (WRA-156) 42
FORM 156 Segregation included in Sept. report)

Number of Individual
Shipments of Property: Received at Project 228 Shipped From Project
To Relocation Points 35

NARRATIVE REPORT: (Use space below for comment on progress and developments of significance at center in connection with handling evacuee property matters; problems encountered; complaints received; suggestions and recommendations.)

Segregation Program:

Sixteen (16) cars evacuee property shipped Gila River Center to Tule Lake Center and during same period, three carloads evacuee property received Gila Center from California. In connection with same this office not only handled all paper work but the actual handling, checking, warehousing, loading, unloading, tagging, and some crating connected with segregation shipments of all freight, checkable baggage and hand baggage, supervised carloadings and handled also, of course, the unloading, warehousing, distribution of freight shipments from California, together with all relocation shipments during segregation period.

Case Grande, Arizona, railhead for Gila Center is 22 miles distant and without warehouse and docking facilities so that all loading and unloading must be done at the cars. All this necessitated long hours and hard work for Evacuee Property personnel.

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As an item of interest in connection with the delivery of evacuee property shipped from California to this Project, our office attends to sterilization of all mattresses and bedding before distribution to evacuees.

This office is now engaged in completing segregation case work to be forwarded to Tule Lake.

A. D. Chamberlain

Evacuee Property Officer