

RELOCATION SUPPLEMENT

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RELOCATION ASSISTANCE GRANT AVAILABLE FOR RESETTLEMENT NEEDS

CHICAGO, Ill. — Social agencies throughout the midwest have been fully informed on the war's dislocation of our Japanese American population and have already assisted a number of center residents in resuming normal lives again, according to Prudence Ross, acting supervisor of the North Central Area. It is stressed that the assistance granted is for persons who have left the center.

Services of both private and public agencies will be available to Japanese Americans long after WRA has been liquidated.

Grants from the Resettlement Assistance Fund are not limited to emergency situations nor are they strictly "relief". Grants are made on the basis of need, and a need may be defined as any obstacle to resettlement. A number of employed resettlers have requested grants for their travel expenses to a relocation center for the purpose of helping their family or parents leave the center. Others have requested grants to purchase furniture or to rent larger apartments or houses on having their families join them in a midwest community. Such financial assistance is not a loan but an outright grant to minimize for the evacuee undue stress, and worry over finances in trying to begin life over again in the world outside the centers.

Until recently most of the assistance grants to resettlers in the midwest have paid for medical services—dental, eye and internal surgery—and hospital bills and daily living expenses for persons hav-

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Receive Booklet On Assistance Services In Great Lakes Area

A 15-page booklet dealing with resettlement assistance and community services in the Great Lakes Area has just been received by Walter A. Heath, relocation program officer.

The informative booklet is divided into ten sections: (1) health, (2) financial assistance, (3) family resettlement and reunion, (4) legal aid, (5) day care, (6) vocational guidance, (7) service to war wives, (8) schools, (9) housing and (10) recreation.

A typical example of assistance cited under "Family Reunion and Resettlement" is captioned "Furniture For His Honor". The case begins, "Mr. H. relocated to Detroit and accepted work in a war plant. He was saving for the day when his family could join him."

"In February, Mr. H. was referred to the Wayne County Bureau of Social Aid for assistance in establishing his home. Through the War Housing Center, Mr. H. was able to secure a housing unit suitable for his family. At the suggestion of the Wayne County Bureau of Social Aid, Mr. H. shopped for furniture and took a list of his essential need to this agency. This was carefully considered and the funds were approved. Mr. H. had the furniture in the new home when he left for the center the middle of March to bring his wife and two children to Detroit."

On the whole, in the Great Lakes Area, if services are available to any other local residents, they are available to evacuees on the same basis.

ALL TYPES OF WORK OPENINGS IN BAY AREA REPORTED BY ROSS

Jobs of every type are opening up in the San Francisco Bay Region, including domestic service, clerical and stenographic and professional, Fred W. Ross, district relocation officer for San Francisco stated.

He adds, however, that white collar opportunities for men are not yet plentiful but that intensive work will be done during the next 30 days to secure more jobs in this line.

Housing in San Francisco is described as being extremely tight but a good many Issei and Nisei are in the process of opening up private businesses.

Among the offers received at the relocation office this week from San Francisco are for nurse, nurses' aides, accountants, assemblers, bookbinders, caretakers, cargo checkers and packers, clerical work of all kinds, cooks, dish washers, foundry workers, green keepers, industrial workers, inspectors (chemical), janitors, laborers, laundry workers, machinists, and pharmacists.

—Wages in general in the San Francisco Area are high and compare with those in the eastern cities such as Chicago, Detroit or Cleveland.

POPULATION STATISTICS March 1945

Center	Pop.	T.L.
Manzanar	5361	152
Central Utah	5697	164
Colorado River	10813	399
Gila River	9127	292
Granada	5360	235
Heart Mt.	8112	254
Minidoka	7104	555
Rohwer	5604	242
Total	58598	2353

## TANIGUCHI RETURN TO HOME IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Wash.—Mr. and Mrs. K. Taniguchi have done considerable wandering since they left their home in Seattle three years ago, but they are back home again at 1511 East Fir Street, and think it is the best place in the world.

They left the Minidoka, Ida., Center two years ago and have lived in Billings, Mont., and Chicago, Ill., but they're very happy to see Seattle again.

Mr. Taniguchi arrived from Chicago on Sunday, April 15, but Mrs. Taniguchi has been here about a month.

"I'm so glad I came back," said Mrs. Taniguchi. "It is so good to be home. The people in Chicago were wonderful to us, but we have so many friends here and they were glad to see us—after all, this is home."

The Taniguchis have lived in Seattle for 12 years, and operated the "Evergreen Tavern" at 514 Jefferson Street prior to evacuation.

They have three children; Lucy, doing secretarial work in Chicago; Ethel, about to graduate from high school at Billings; and Roy, a freshman in high school in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Taniguchi are busy now rehabilitating their home which was ravaged by fire two years ago. They were pleasantly assisted in this work a week ago when 12 University of

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## TOPAZ CENTER GIRL LIKES PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Penn.—The Temple University News recently reported that Suneko Aihara, 18-year-old pre-medical student at Temple and former resident of the Central Utah Relocation Center, likes "just everything" about Philadelphia.

It states that "although she misses her parents and younger sister", who are still in the center, she likes the east so well that "she hopes to stay here permanently."

## DOMESTICS

Several outstanding domestic and gardeners jobs are being received from Cleveland, Detroit, Cincinnati, Columbus, Pittsburgh and Buffalo areas, according to the Relocation Office, Building 1-4.

Some of the offers are as follows:

**CLEVELAND AREA**—Issei couple to do cooking, housework, laundry, yardwork and some gardening in a doctor's home. Wages \$150 a month plus room and board.

Issei couple to manage an 11-room house. Wages \$200 a month, plus room and board.

Issei couple to do housework and care for children. Wages \$175 a month plus an apartment and board.

**COLUMBUS, Ohio**—Two Issei families to work on an estate. Wages from \$75 to \$100 per month for single man plus all farm products grown on farm. Income of families can be supplemented if wives or children work also.

Issei couple to look after garden and grounds of a farm-estate. Will pay good wages.

**CINCINNATI**—Issei couple for domestic job. Wages \$125 to \$150 a month.

Issei couple as chauffeur, gardener, cook and housekeeper. Salary \$200 a month.

**PITTSBURGH, Penn.**—Issei couple as cook and assistant in Salvation Army Social Center. Pay will be \$150 a month with room and board.

Issei couple for Congregational Christian Old Folks Home which houses about 60 guests. Work as cook or assistant cook and caretaker-gardener. Will pay \$150 a month plus full maintenance for entire family.

**MICHIGAN**—Opening for gardener-chauffeur. Wages \$150 per month plus maintenance.

Issei couple to do gardening and housework. Wage is \$150 to \$200 per month and maintenance.

**BUFFALO, N.Y.**—Poultry workers wanted. Wages \$100 to \$125 per month plus maintenance.

## RELOCATION BOOSTS JAPANESE POPULATION IN KANSAS CITY

Before the war, there were about 33 persons of Japanese ancestry in Kansas City, Missouri. Today, there are several hundred who have resettled to that city.

There is a definite shortage of housing in Kansas City due especially to the flow of war workers into the new war industries which have sprung up in greater Kansas City since the beginning of the war. However, single evacuees and couples arriving in Kansas City have never had difficulty in securing temporary housing.

Resettlers dining "out" spend between \$1.25 and \$1.50 per day for three substantial meals while a group of three evacuees living together can average \$12 weekly.

Kansas is an agricultural area which also has a wealth of mineral deposits. Food is still Kansas City's basic produce. It has one of the country's largest livestock markets and meat packing centers and is highly important for general food staples, and ranks second in the production of flour. It also has a hub of important war industries.

There are many cultural institutions in Kansas City. Approximately 296 churches of all denominations can also be found there. Parks, recreation centers and educational institutions are also available.

The climate in Kansas City is moderate, with an average of 29.8 degrees in January and an average of 79.4 degrees in July.

## COOK, FARM HAND NEEDED IN STOCKTON

**WANTED**—A hotel cook in Stockton, Calif. Wages \$8 per day plus meals and laundry.

**WANTED**—General farmworker to do general orchard and farm work and to care for the livestock in Stockton, Calif. Wages \$175 per month plus an excellent three-room house.

### GIVE INFORMATION ON HOSTELS IN LOS ANGELES

Detailed information about the three hostels now open in the Los Angeles district is given by Area Supervisor Paul G. Robertson for the benefit of all residents who are contemplating resettlement in Southern California.

The hostels are:

**EVERGREEN HOSTEL**—Located at 506 N. Evergreen, Zone 33. Telephone An 5373. Sponsored by the Presbyterian Church and American Friends Service Committee. Directors are Miss Esther Rhoads and the Rev. Sohio Kowta. The hostel was established on March 18, 1945. Rates are \$1 per day for room and meals. Capacity is 100 persons.

**BUDDHIST HOSTEL**—Located at 1336 W. 36th Place, Zone 7. Telephone PA 9313. Sponsored by the Buddhist Brotherhood in America. Directors are the Rev. Julius Goldwater, the Rev. and Mrs. K. Inamura, and Arthur Takamoto. Established on April 8, 1945, rates are \$1 per day for room with two meals, for first 19 days; then \$1.50 per day thereafter. Maximum capacity is from 35 to 40 persons.

**PASADENA HOSTEL**—Located at 301 Kensington Place, Pasadena, Calif. Telephone SY 21212. Sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee. Director of the hostel is Mrs. Sarah M. Field. Established on January 15, 1945, rates are \$1 per day including meals until employment is secured; \$1.50 thereafter. Capacity is 12 to 13 maximum.

### RESETTLEMENT ASSISTANCE AIDS RELOCATEES

"Resettlement assistance is your guarantee of security", Relocation Program Officer Walter A. Heath declares.

He adds, "WRA money and other federal money is available throughout the country to those who have hard luck and need a lift after they resettle, and to those who must have additional money to leave the center.

### KOZO HATTORI, FORMER RESIDENT AT ROHWER BUYS LAND IN LOUISIANA

**NEW ORLEANS, La.**—Kozo Hattori of Rohwer, Ark., Relocation Center purchased a 40-acre farm (an arpent is a French land measurement of approximately .85 of an acre) in Louisiana, located on a main highway nine miles south of New Orleans.

He also purchased the farming equipment, machinery, truck, mules and the crops of bell peppers, squash, tomatoes, and corn already planted on 15 acres.

Farm improvements include a modern six room house with city water, electricity, and other housing and farm buildings.

Shortly after the closing of the center's spring school term, Mrs. Hattori and their three children will come to their new home in Louisiana with two other families.

### 'ANY ISSEI CAN OPEN BUSINESS IN NEW YORK'

**NEW YORK, N.Y.**—Declaring that "any Issei could open a business in this city," Chuzuro Aoki, Issei, formerly of San Francisco and the Central Utah Relocation Center, recently explained how he had opened his busy tailoring and dry cleaning shop here in a fashionable section near Fifth and Park Avenues with the help of a local union of the American Federation of Labor to which he had been referred by the New York WRA Office.

"This city has room for more Issei tailors, cleaners, and laundry men, and there is no need to do cheap, hard work here, either," he said.

Mrs. Aoki sits nearby in the shop, stitching a lady's skirt on one of the two Singer sewing machines.

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ing long-term illnesses such as tuberculosis or infantile paralysis. In the case of several older Issei who suddenly had a stroke and died, assistance grants paid for their hospitalization and funerals.

### SPRINGFIELD PAPER TELL OF EVACUEE ACCEPTANCE

**BOSTON, Mass.**—A half-page set-up, totaling 93 inches with news copy and photographs showing the development of the WRA plan and the acceptance of evacuees in this city was carried recently in the Springfield Sunday Union and Republican of Springfield, Mass.

Indicative of the cooperative community interest is the announcement by Mayor J. Albin Anderson of the appointment of his representative committee to direct the relocation program, the personnel including industrial, agricultural, professional, labor, church and civic leaders.

In part, his interview states, "...These loyal Japanese Americans, many of whom have sons fighting with unmatched gallantry on the Italian front, fall under the protection of our flag, and they are entitled to the same liberty and justice that any other American can claim as a matter of right."

"We feel sure that the majority of Springfield people will do all they can to help the federal government relocate these loyal Japanese Americans partly because we want to keep faith with those who are dying to prevent injustice, intolerance and un-Americanism here at home."

### --RETURNS TO SEATTLE (Cont'd From Page 2)

Washington students and members of the American Friends Service Society dropped in on them and spent the entire day cleaning and polishing the house.

There is a great deal of work still to be done, but when all is ready Mrs. Taniguchi wants to see all of her friends from the center, which she hopes will be soon.

She hopes someday to operate her own "lunch counter" here in Seattle.

"But that's just a dream," she laughingly said. "It's a wonderful dream, though, and we know it will come true."

## ROHWER RESIDENTS CHARTER SPECIAL CARS FOR WEST COAST RETURN

McGHEE, Ark.—So eager are Rohwer Relocation Center residents to return to their West Coast homes that special cars are being chartered to meet the increasing demand.

One special car left last month, two more are slated to leave early next month.

The first special car, loaded with 58 returning Californians, left Rohwer on March 23 for Sacramento. There, they transferred to trains or buses for their respective homes.

The Rohwer Relocation Division furnished each of these returnees with such information as recommended restaurants and other service facilities, train numbers, dates and times of arrival at intermediary points as well as on other helpful instructions.

## DISTRICT OFFICER VISITS YOSHIDAS FROM BOSTON LACK ON OWN FARM

SANTA ANA, Calif.—One of the first acts of F.R. VanNorden, district relocation officer in the newly opened district office in the Santa Ana Post Office Building, was to call on the Thomas K. Yoshida family which returned to their former home from Boston on April 10.

The housing problem was quickly solved when the Caucasian tenants of Mrs. Rose Kiyoko Yoshida's house on Verrano St. volunteered to move.

The family belongings including furniture were in good condition and Yoshida plans to spend some weeks in "touching-up" the house and the yard.

Mrs. Yoshida was especially happy that her Caucasian neighbors not only welcomed her home, but also brought her milk and butter as homecoming gifts.

Her next step is to follow-up a lead in the district office gave her on a job with a business concern.

But VanNorden found the oldest if not the happiest Yoshida to be 8-year-old Jimmie. He has learned to milk a cow.

## INTRODUCING NEW JERSEY

(Following is the second and final series of articles based on Northern New Jersey, the Industrial and Agricultural Center, and is offered as an aid to future resettlers.—Editors.)

In 1935, a total of 1,914,110 acres of New Jersey soil, or 40 percent of its total land area, was under agricultural production, with its dairy products leading in money value and followed by vegetables, eggs, and grain.

New Jersey's farming surface lies in three main belts:

(1)—The northern counties, underlain with limestone and other glacial rock, are most successful in dairying and the production of grain.

(2)—The fertile loam land of the middle counties, with their rock subsoil of greensand marl, leads in truck crops and potatoes and is an active producer of grain, fruit, and milk.

(3)—The sandy level counties of the southern coastal area are well-known for their crops of apples, peaches, cranberries, small fruits and vegetables.

**INDUSTRIES**—Although it has exaggeratedly been said that every kind of product sold anywhere is manufactured in Newark, the statement is very nearly true. The main industries of the industrial area which centers around Newark are as follows: Petroleum refining, copper smelting and refining, chemicals and pharmaceuticals, electrical supplies, dyeing and finishing, paints and varnishes, clothing, rubber goods, foundry products, cigars and cigarettes, slaughtering and meat packing, printing and publishing, canning, shipbuilding, jewelry, and soap.

Tucked in among the giant industries of the area are a few unusual ones. A plant in North Plainfield is one of the five in the entire country which manufacture telescopes. There are three shops in Red Bank which do nothing but hammer

## ST. LOUIS NISEI COUNCIL PUBLISHES NEWSLETTER TO AID NEW RELOCATEES

Published by the Nisei Coordinating Council of St. Louis, Mo., the Newsletter is proving a helpful aid to new resettlers to that area as well as to center residents.

Included are facts about the doings of St. Louis evacuees, their socials and activities; list of St. Louis evacuees and their relatives who are now serving in the armed forces of the United States; helpful hints on housing, employment and clubs, and other information.

## RETURNEES ABLE TO BUY TRACTORS FOR FARMING

Japanese returnees in the West Coast are still able to purchase tractors according to a letter from Ko Hirata former Benzener resident now in Linden, Calif., addressed to Relocation Program Officer Walter A. Heath.

Hirata's letter reads: "The neighbors around our place are very friendly. They come to visit us all the time.

"Yesterday, I bought one tractor which isn't too good but good for temporary.

Enclosed in the letter was a clipping from the Stockton Records regarding the Nisei resettlement problem discussion sponsored by the Stockton Inter-Racial Council.

The clipping told in detail of a meeting being held by the group in promoting racial equality and justice.

gold leaf. At Burlington is located the only factory in the United States which produces artificial human hair.

It is the product of another factory in Burlington, however, which leads us to believe that perhaps every kind of product sold anywhere in the world is produced in the Newark area. This factory, before the war, produced one-wheeled carts for Korea—and "Janz-rilishes" for Japan.