

ANOTHER SEPT. TRAIN POSSIBLE

In discussing the possibility of another special train this month, Project Director Ray D. Johnston said:

"A recent survey shows that many center residents plan to relocate during the latter part of September. Departure dates are scattered, however, and we must have more definite information before we can justify a request for another train. Since the Washington Office must have at least two weeks advance notice before a train can be obtained it will be necessary for center residents to come in and sign up immediately if the railroad equipment is to be made available for our use in September.

If a sufficient number of passengers register soon enough, another September train is possible. If only a few sign up or even if a large number sign, but wait too late to do so, another train will not be available this month. Whether center residents travel by special train or not, depends on a prompt and definite indication of their wishes."

ARMY CANCELS EXCLUSION NOTICES

The following teletype from WRA Director Myer was received here Tuesday:

"The War Department and the Western Defense Command have just announced that all individual exclusion orders heretofore issued by Western Defense Command are rescinded effective Sept. 4 at midnight, Pacific War Time. All centers will cease to be Military areas at same time. Military Police will be removed at same time from all centers other than Tule Lake. At Tule Lake the Military Police will continue beyond midnight only as special agents of Department of Justice to enforce detention at Tule Lake of those persons designated by Justice Department for detention."

Project Director Johnston said that detailed information concerning the action of the War Department would be available within a short time.

LAND, JOBS AND HOUSING IN CALIFORNIA

Kingsburgh, Calif. - A 1200 acre ranch is now available for rent at Kingsburgh, Calif. There is adequate housing for 29 families. Vegetables, cotton and grain crops are grown. Cash rent is from \$25.00 to \$30.00 per acre or rent may be part cash and part share crop. Work is now available harvesting tomatoes on a 50-50 basis. See Relocation Office, Block 42 for details.

Coast Guard Restrictions on Nisei Lifted

The following teletype was recently received from the Washington Office:

"Effective with formal surrender of Japan the Commandant of the Coast Guard has revoked all special wartime restrictions and clearance procedures especially applicable to employment of U. S. Citizens of Japanese descent on waterfront facilities and vessels. They are subject hereafter only to the same locally determined requirements applicable to all citizens operating on waterfront facilities and vessels in peacetime. Representations now being made to Navy to rescind restrictions on Japanese nationals."

INFORMATION ON NEW HOSTELS

St. Louis - The St. Louis Hostel, located at 2427 South 18th Street, has finally opened its doors to the resettlers. The first group of boarders arrived on Saturday, August 13th. This has been accomplished after much hard labor and work by volunteer church organizations and fellow Nisei. The hostel began under the management of Mrs. Marcie Sakai, but due to the fact that Mrs. Sakai's husband, Pfc. John Sakai, returned from the European War, she left St. Louis to join him in Minneapolis where he is now stationed. Miss Sumiye Tashiro has succeeded Mrs. Sakai and is now in charge of the Hostel. The Hostel will work in cooperation with the W. R. A. and will try to do its utmost in solving the housing problems of the relocatees. If reservations are desired, call the Hostel at PRospect 0543 or the W. R. A. at CLntral 3200, Station 294. An open house is scheduled for Sunday, September 16th, from 2:00 P. M., to which cordial invitations are extended to all St. Louisans.

Milwaukee, Wis. - The Milwaukee Resettlement Association had its hostel at 1426 North Prospect Avenue ready for occupancy on September 1, it was announced this week by Justus Olson, Association President. The large three-story graystone house, containing over 20 rooms and surrounded by a large yard, is located on a hill overlooking Lake Michigan, about five minutes by bus from the heart of downtown Milwaukee.

The building, now being operated as a boarding house, has a kitchen, dining room with seating capacity for 30 persons, living room, three bathrooms, washroom, shower room, laundry and approximately 15 sleeping rooms of varying size, the largest of which will easily accommodate five persons. There is telephone service on each floor. The house is heated by steam, with separate facilities for heating hot water. There is modern equipment in the laundry and the kitchen.

The tentative rate schedule calls for \$1 a day for unemployed adults and \$1.50 for employed. Rates for children under 8 will be 50¢ a day each for those whose parents are unemployed and 75¢ for children of employed parents. Reservations for the hostel may be made through the Relocation Program Officer of our project, who will in turn communicate with the Milwaukee WRA Officer, Mr. Joseph H. Hansen, 161 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee 3, Wisconsin.

Columbus, Ohio - The Friends sponsored Columbus Hostel opened for family occupancy on September 1. The Hostel is located at 627 South Lazelle Street.

It has a fully equipped kitchen, a dining room, a large living room, bathroom and two large bedrooms. The Hostel is comfortably furnished and is newly papered and painted. It will accommodate two large or three small families until permanent arrangements can be made for living quarters. Rates of \$5.00 a week will be charged for a family unit. Families will do their own cooking and furnish their own food.

Reservations may be made through the Columbus War Relocation Authority office located at 3660 A. I. U. Building, telephone number MAin 6684, or through the chairman of the Hostel Committee, Mrs. Charles Blackman of 223 Dunedin Road, Columbus, Ohio, telephone number LAwnald 5622.

HOSTEL MAY CLOSE

Des Moines, Iowa - The Friends Hostel at Des Moines has announced that it will close soon if center residents fail to notify Ross Wilbur, Director of the hostel, that they intend to use it during the months of September, October, November, and December.

NEWS OF ROHWER RELOCATES

St. Louis - Miss Meta Gruner, Superintendent of Edgewood Children's Center, 330 North Gore, Webster Groves, Missouri, thanked War Relocation Authority for letting her know that Yoshiko Kenzo, formerly of Rohwer and Tacoma, Washington, was available for employment as a dietician. They are happy in having Yoshiko, whom they consider a great asset to their staff.

St. Louis - Mrs. Mura Kawanishi and her son, Mas, 18 years of age, formerly of Rohwer and Terrence, arrived in St. Louis on August 7, to accept employment in the home of Mr. M. W. Freund, 50 Crestwood Drive, and report they like their new placement. Mas has been accepted by Washington University and will be attending the fall session there.

St. Louis - Mariko Tsuji, 17 years old, of Rohwer and Rivera, California, joined her sister, Mrs. Tei Hoshi in St. Louis recently, as she is planning on completing her last year of high school here. Tei arranged part time employment for Mariko in the home adjacent to where she is employed while she is attending school. Mariko especially enjoyed going on a shopping tour with her sister in the large department stores. Plans are being made for other members of the family to join Mariko and Mrs. Hoshi soon.

San Francisco - Sergeant Dave Hirahara, formerly of Rohwer and Seattle, Washington, and Sergeant Dan Kato, formerly of Fowler, California, are continuing the fight for democracy on the home front by participating in educational programs, showing the motion pictures "Challenge to Democracy" and "Japanese Americans", and lecturing. During the month of June the sergeants appeared before eight CIO unions in San Francisco and spoke to a total audience of more than 1600 persons. They also visited 12 other groups including church and voters' league organizations and contacted a total of 400 more in this manner. Both men are patients at the Dibble General Hospital near Palo Alto, California, where they are being hospitalized for injuries suffered while participating in the Italian Campaign and the push which saved the "Lost Battalion" near Vesgo.

Omaha - Having found a furnished apartment at 2003 Burt Street in Omaha, Mr. Yukio Kuroishi was able to relocate his wife and two-year old son, Dennis, from Rohwer this week. Their former home was Los Angeles. Mr. Kuroishi has been employed as cook at a local restaurant since July 20, 1944. Miss Jennie Ando, sister of Mrs. Kuroishi, also has been in Omaha for the past few months, attending the California Beauty School at 521 North 33rd Street. She is working in a large home at 141 North 39th Street while going to school.

Visalia - Miss Aiko Konatsu recently from Chicago and formerly of the Rohwer Center is back in the Orosi area, with her sister Ritsuko, making plans to relocate their family here. They plan to build a new home on their ranch. For the time being the Konatsu sisters are making their home with Mr. and Mrs. Z. Ichimura, Route 1, Box 312, Orosi, California.

Stockton - Mr. Nishimoto, of No. 1 and No. 2 Camps on Bacon Island recently returned from Rohwer center with six families. He is taking charge of 750 acres of asparagus. Soon he will require many more workers.

Stockton - H. Hisaka of Zerkman Ranch, Manderville, Calif., reports some 50 employees grading potatoes and onions. They expect to employ an additional 80.

NISEI VETLRAN JOINS VFW POST

Los Angeles, Calif. - Staff Sgt. Harry Tanabe, veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, was accepted by the James B. Gresham Post No. 8, VFW, by unanimous vote. 8/17/45.

COMRADES CELEBRATE VICTORY

In round-up of celebrations of Pacific victory, Life Magazine of August 20 carries a photo of a huge Chicago Seaman carrying two Nisei soldiers on his shoulders.

CHARTER ISSUED FOR JAPANESE-AMERICAN PAPER

New York - A newspaper for Japanese Americans will soon appear, according to Isadore Englander, New York City attorney, who is helping with details for a bi-monthly publication. New York Secretary of State at Albany recently issued charter to Japanese American News Corp. for a general printing and publishing business. Joe Oyama was named as director.

FBI CHECK ONLY ROUTINE

The Department of Justice has restated its assurance to the War Relocation Authority that the routine checkup regularly made by the Federal Bureau of Investigation of an alien requesting a change-of-residence permit implies no reflection on the character of the alien. Justice officials emphasized that such an FBI investigation was purely mechanical procedure in the control of aliens of enemy nations.

DENTIST RETURNS TO LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Calif. - Dr. Michio Nakadote, M.D., D.D.S., a former resident of the Colorado River Relocation Center has now his former home. Dr. Nakadote, a graduate of the University of Southern California, has opened a dental offices at 321 E. Second Street, Los Angeles.

WRA WILL HELP OBTAIN LICENSE

Los Angeles, Calif. - Evacuees relocating in the Los Angeles District who own automobiles and have not yet applied for the 1945 license plates, should seek the assistance of WRA Los Angeles District Office in securing the necessary affidavit to present to the Motor Vehicle Department if their car was stored in 1944.

MINIDOK DOCTOR RETURNS TO SACRAMENTO

Sacramento, Calif. - Dr. George K. Akamatsu, and his wife, Yasuko, formerly at Minidoka center, have returned to Sacramento. The doctor is renewing old acquaintanceships and preparing his office for a formal opening. He hopes to be practicing again soon. With his wife, he recently visited Walnut Grove to make arrangements for the relocation of his parents in their old home there.

RETURNEE ON UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA FACULTY

California - Chiura Obata, landscape artist and teacher, has been reappointed to the University of California faculty.