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INFORMATION ROUNDUP

War Relocation Authority

San Francisco Regional Office

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HARVEST RECRUITS
REACH NEW HIGH

Through October 10, 4630 evacuees had left projects and assembly centers to help in the harvesting of crops. This figure does not include those who were still out previous to the September recruiting. Minidoka leads with 1602, and Manzanar follows with 1018. Recruiting at both these projects has stopped temporarily. Other employment figures are: Tule Lake, 730; Colorado River, 709; Central Utah, 233; Fresno, 182; Santa Anita, 85; and Stockton, 71.

VEGETABLE SHIPMENTS
FROM TULE INCREASE

During the first week in October seventeen carloads of vegetables were shipped from the Tule Lake farms to other projects:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>No. Cars</u>	<u>Crop</u>
Oct. 1	Colorado River	1	Lettuce, turnips, nappa
	" "	1	Potatoes, beets
	" "	1	Potatoes
2	" "	1	Lettuce
	" "	1	Potatoes, beets
3	Central Utah	1	Mixed
	Minidoka	1	"
	Colorado River	2	Turnips
	Gila River	1	Potatoes
5	Manzanar	1	Mixed
	Gila River	1	"
6	" "	1	"
7	Manzanar	2	Potatoes
	Minidoka	1	"
	Central Utah	1	"

Through October 2, a total of eight carloads had been sold in the open market, three to the Pacific Fruit Company and five to Milton Altschul, Inc., Los Angeles.

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Figures are now available through September on the quantities of vegetables produced at Manzanar for the project's own mess halls and at Tule Lake for its mess halls.

Manzanar: beets, 314 crates; cantaloups, 1252 crates; corn, 173 crates, 2 boxes, 40 sacks; cucumbers, 4222 lugs; daikon, 216 crates; grapes, 16 lugs; Italian squash, 1140 lugs; nappa, 308 lugs; okra, 272 lugs; pears, 1057 lugs; radishes, 840 crates; summer squash, 1329 lugs; tomatoes, 550 lugs; turnips, 491 lugs; and watermelons, 83 3/4 tons.

Tule Lake: beet greens, 2 crates, 226 sacks; beets, bunches, 262 crates, 137 sacks; beets topped, 60 crates; daikon, 20 crates, 408 sacks; daikon tops, 96 crates, 124 sacks; green onions, 71 crates; lettuce, 340 crates; nappa, 927 crates, 536 sacks, 10 boxes; peas, 472 1/2 sacks, 77 hampers; potatoes, 56 crates, 604 sacks; radishes, 163 crates, 28 sacks; radish greens, 44 sacks; rutabagas, 74 sacks; spinach, 589 crates; squash, 8 sacks; string beans, 179 sacks, 70 baskets; swiss chard, 108 crates; turnip greens, 66 sacks, bunched, 208 sacks, topped, 71 crates, 333 sacks.

POPULATION: 67,632

Weekend census figures for the San Francisco region projects totalled 67,632: Tule Lake, 14,543; Central Utah, 7686; Colorado River, 17,075; Minidoka, 7735; Manzanar, 9024; and Gila River, 11,569.

CENTRAL UTAH REPORT

A progress report as of October 2 indicated that major efforts during the previous week were devoted to housing and feeding evacuees; to preparing living quarters for Caucasian personnel including school teachers and administrative staff; to introducing and orienting new residents; and to laying the dust; Out of a population on that date of 6834, 2365 were employed at the center.

In the Engineering Department, construction work was limited to preparing plans, drawings, material lists, etc. for a proposed service and filling station, a connecting gallery between the administrative office buildings, root cellar, and packing shed. A start was made in agricultural development with a crew clearing land preparatory to plowing. it is hoped that through leasing tractors, 1000 acres can be plowed this fall.

Religious services were held; nominations and elections of city councilmen for a temporary government were proceeding; a special committee was chosen to conduct the formation of representative government for Consumer Enterprises; the Fire Department assumed full responsibility for fire protection of October 1.

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The housing situation had become acute by the end of that week because of the lack of mattresses, blankets, and finished quarters. A housing committee has sought every means to make adjustments.

High-school teachers were being recruited satisfactorily, but good elementary-school teachers are difficult to find. Plans for nursery-school work and adult education began to take definite shape. Teachers' conferences were to be held October 2 and 3, training institutes were to begin on October 5, nursery schools were to open on the same date, and regular schools on October 19.

Chief problems aside from those of housing were lack of equipment, furniture, and supplies; personnel shortages; building material limitations; and dust.

FROM PROJECT PAPERS

Tulean Dispatch:

Overtime is to be allowed for construction workers, farm and packing shed, transportation and supply, warehousing and property divisions.....Colony high-school students were to be allowed to volunteer for harvesting. Granted leaves of absence from school. 400 working on October 7 and more were to go as accommodations are made for them.

3400 chicks arrived and beginning the first Tuesday in November and every Tuesday thereafter 3500 pullets will arrive until the quota of 45,000 is filled. When the pullets mature, a monthly production rate of 1800 eggs and 9000 lbs. of meat is expected.....About 24,000 school books have arrived - 10,455 new books, 12,242 old texts from schools and other organizations, and 1233 used books from CCC camps.

Manzanar Free Press:

Ten fire marshalls were appointed who will cover the organization of volunteer fire fighters in each block, explain the uses of the various extinguishers to the residents; expedite emergency calls to fire department headquarters, keep districts free from rubbish and other combustible materials; and other work connected with fire prevention. Center to be divided into ten districts. Jobs are paid.

Minidoka Irrigator:

Because of lack of track facilities from rail points to Hunt and of warehouse space at the center, for the present it will be impossible

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to receive evacuees' household goods stored at or near their former homes. Trucks are being used to haul the coal.....Residents have been asked to turn in voluntarily all electrical appliances for the time being, until wall outlets are installed in apartments. Over-loaded wires are a fire hazard.....Plans are being made by Community Enterprises to have a bus line within the community area.....

Inventory made of all cots, mattresses, and blankets issued by WRA..... Outbreak of food poisoning, hospitalizing more than 60 persons, was traced to bacteria in pickled vegetables. No cases were serious..... Four horses are to be used by the messenger service. They will arrive when the stables and a corral are built.

Poston Press Bulletin:

Clothing made by local chapter will be distributed only in Poston..... 40 volunteers unloaded net material in order to clear warehouses and release trucks for food.....Adobe Plant 1-A, delayed in producing bricks for about a month because of machinery trouble, is again in production..... Tofu and other Japanese foods will be produced at the project according to present plans.....

A Bureau of Investigation has been created in Unti II.....Two 50,000 gal. pressure tanks are expected to be ready in about two weeks.....County Fair will be held on October 16-17.

