

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

RELOCATED PERSONS AREA
Mansour, California

San Francisco, California, Office
War Relocation Authority

July 1, 1945

Miss Vera Bergrove
Librarian, Inyo County
Independence, California

Dear Miss Bergrove:

At the start of the evacuation program for Japanese and Japanese-Americans, you were asked to serve on a local Citizens Committee advisory board by Mr. Dan C. Clark, who was the Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division of the Fourth Army Command.

The early recommendations and suggestions of this Committee were greatly appreciated by Mr. Clark and his staff and many of them have been followed and, and many are still under serious consideration by the War Relocation Authority which has been given the assignment of carrying on the work.

It has been my intention from the start as District Director to ask you to continue to serve on this committee. I had hoped to have a meeting called long before this, but the press of attached duties on my part, and the absence of Mr. Ralph Merritt, Chairman of your group, have made the calling of such a meeting impractical up to the present moment.

I have just received a letter from Mr. Merritt stating that his personal business will keep him in Canada in the future, and regretfully resigning as chairman of the Owens Valley Citizens Committee.

It is my belief that such a committee and advisory group as yours is highly essential in working out actual problems brought on by the establishment of the Mansour Relocation Area in Inyo Valley.

In the absence of a regular chairman I am taking the liberty of calling a meeting of both the Committee and the Advisory Board, of which you are a member, on Thursday, July 26th, at 5 P.M. here at the Center. I would like to have you have dinner with us, enjoy a tour of inspection of the project, and then sit down and discuss some of the problems that we are encountering at present.

In order to arrange for the dinner, may I hear from you soon regarding this meeting?

Sincerely,



Roy Nash
District Director