

All Folks!



COURTESY OF THE GRANADA PIONEER

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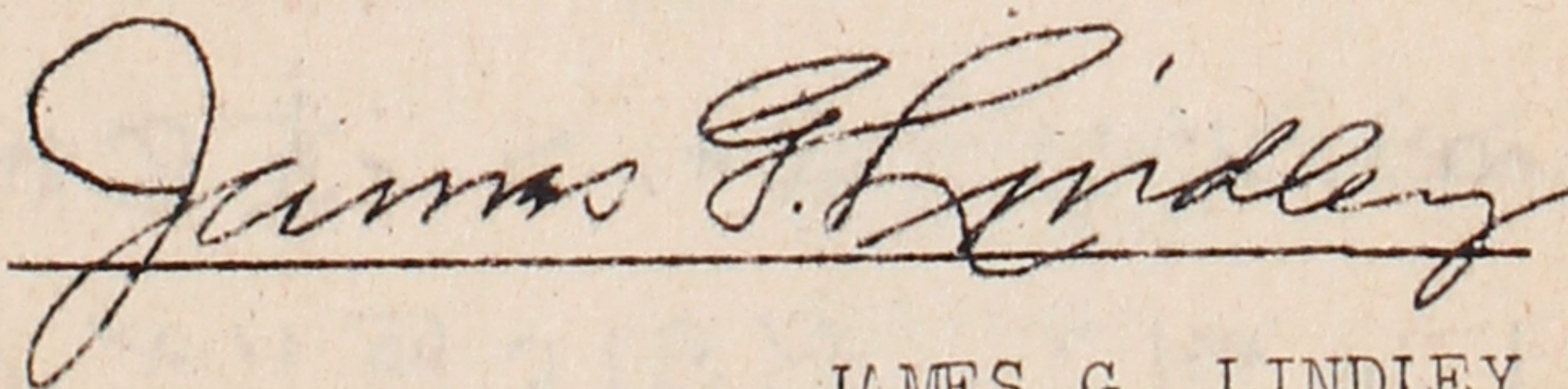
PROJECT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

ON behalf of the War Relocation Authority, United States Department of the Interior, I extend greetings and welcome to the new residents of the Granada Relocation Center.

THE closing of the Jerome Center and the movement of its residents to other centers have caused inconvenience to those residents, ---to you. Adjustments must be made by you newcomers and by the older residents of this Center. Our staff, both administrative and evacuee employees, has been instructed to help in making these adjustments.

WE expect you to share in our jobs and our diversions. Our main job is to make the Center as good a temporary home as conditions will allow; and it takes the cooperation of all to accomplish that end. My office and the offices of my staff are open to all of you. Feel free to come to us with your problems or suggestions.

I am sure that I speak for all the residents of the Center and the appointed staff when I extend to you a hearty welcome to Amache.



JAMES G. LINDLEY
Project Director

歡迎の詞

アマチ区長會議長

通形與獅信

今次大戦勃発以來、吾等在米同胞は齊しく宿命的苦杯を喫し、人家疎らな曠野の涯に收容生活を余儀なくすること既に二年有半、往時を偲べば感懐深く俯仰して吾が行く先を想起すれば轉々山路猶遠しの感じが致し、戦時下に於ける吾等在米同胞の苦衷よことに叙するに詞なく文字通りに忍苦の境涯であり、試練の生活の憶ひが致します。今回住みながらジエロームを後に隣人知己に別れ、省に哀別離苦の憂目と体験し、長途の汽車も無事、今日安着され、吾等のほらからを迎へ、アマチ居住民は心より御歡迎申し上げると共に心おきなく所内生活を共に均霑される様、ここに一言述べて歡迎の詞に代へる次第であります。

六月廿一日

===== COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE =====

IN behalf of the residents of the Granada Relocation Center, the Community Council of Amache extends to you a most cordial and hearty welcome with the sincere hope that you will feel at home from the very beginning.

ANY community which is not fully organized cannot hope to operate intelligently and smoothly; therefore, it is our sincere hope that during your stay here, you will take advantage of the many opportunities to participate in the various community activities here in the center, as we are sure that there is much that you can contribute. You will find that we will be very receptive to any suggestions and we, in turn, will be very glad to assist you in every way possible to meet and solve your problems.

AGAIN, from all of us to all of you, we say, "Welcome friends, to Amache."

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Shiro Abe
Shiro Abe
Chairman

== CITY OF AMACHE ==

AMACHE, known officially as Granada Relocation Center, was named after a beautiful Indian maiden. She was the daughter of Chief Ochi-nee (meaning one-eyed) of the Cheyenne Indian tribe, who, after roaming these wind-swept (meaning plentee-dustee) prairies, "evacuated" to the nearby cottonwoods along Arkansas river in their tepees. Tepee is Indian for "no-roomee."

Officially opened on Aug. 27, 1942, its first residents came from northern California---Sutter, Yolo, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Merced and part of Sacramento counties---who were preponderantly rural people. On Sept. 19, 1942, the so-called "white collar" urban groups from the Los Angeles area started to arrive via Santa Anita assembly center, completing the city's original occupation on September 30.

In September, 1943, some 1000 Tule Lake transferees arrived to become new residents of Amache.

IT is a masterpiece of understatement to say that Amache is one of the most unusual cities in Colorado. Amache, like Topsy, wasn't born---it just happened. Overnight, this desolate prairie hill of sagebrush, cactus, and thistles was turned into a teeming city of some 7600 bewildered souls. And where once jackrabbits, rattlesnakes, and turtles survived the winter snow and the summer heat, plus frequent dust storms, the uprooted issei, nisei, and sansei were transplanted to be "coddled"---and that word is used very loosely. Now, every time we have a big dust storm we feel like giving the dang place back to the jackrabbits, rattlesnakes, and turtles.

THE CENTRAL LEGISLATIVE BODY of this Center is the Community Council, which is composed of one representative from each block. The Council is charged with the making of ordinances, regulations, and laws governing our community life. One councilman representative from each of the city's five districts compose the executive committee.

The Council appoints a judicial commission composed of five evacuees and three Caucasian personnel members to hear and try cases involving violations of local regulations.

THERE are 29 "residential" blocks in the city with facilities much alike any relocation camp block. Each block has a block manager, who is affectionately (?) known as "block head." He is nominated by the block residents and duly appointed by the project director. His duty entails matters pertaining to administration.

Each block has 12 identical barracks (only the other fella's always seems bigger), 120 by 20, divided into six 3-sized "apartments"---"tepees" would be a more descriptive term.

WELCOME, JEROMITES

NOTHING gives a person more pleasure than to give away something that doesn't belong to him. And that pleasure is manifold when it is received with profuse appreciation---it's a grand and glorious feeling.

That is exactly how the Hospitality Committee finds itself in extending Amache's cordial welcome to you good people from Jerome.

We realize the trouble and the weariness you suffered in the process of transferring here. We also realize that Jerome, like an old pair of shoes, became very "comfortable" and you had no desire to exchange it. That you will feel backward and look with doubt your new "pair of shoes," which is Amache, is only natural. But, believe us, we are sincere in our desire to make this Center a pleasant stopping-off place to better things in life.

You will be among new people and it will be hard at first to "break the ice" in making new acquaintances. It will be difficult to make the necessary re-adjustments. The world is full of better places to live than Amache and the weather here is far from ideal, and dust storms are a rule rather than an exception.

BUT, we believe that it isn't the place that makes the people so much as the people making the place what it is, so we, who have preceded you, have tried to make Amache a good place to live. If we have failed in our endeavor, it was not because we didn't try hard enough but because the task was too big for us.

In welcoming you, we wish to ask your hearty participation in our community affairs so that our desire to make Amache a city of health and happiness may be fulfilled. From here on, let's all be good Amacheans with a common goal for a better living.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Dr. Enoch Dumas, chairman. Mrs. Kay Kuzuhara, Mrs. Alice Ohama, Rev. Chiaki Kuzuhara, Shiro Abe, Taka Aratani, Giichiro Mitani, Roy Uragami, Yasutoshi Yoshizawa, and Roy T. Yoshida.

≡ SILK SCREEN SHOP ≡

THE SILK SCREEN SHOP, officially organized at the request of the US Navy on June 1, 1943, is the one and only such shop in all relocation centers.

Its program is conducted in cooperation with the Navy Department and makes thousands of Navy training-aid posters every month. It is located in the 6E and 7E recreation halls and has an evacuee personnel of about 45 members. You're invited to visit the Shop at any time and sign up if interested.

THREE different processes used in the art of silk screen-ing, film, tusche and photographic---are taught in order named.

First process takes up the delicate task of cutting designs and letterings on lacquered film.

Second process, is the technique of drawing pictures on silk screen with a black wax---called "tusche." This is used for fine art work.

Third process, taught only to advanced members, involves the interesting work of "reproduction" from photo-negatives transformed into "silk screen films."

IN ADDITION TO Navy orders, the Silk Screen Shop does all of Center's poster work as well as programs and bids. Its work with up-to-date equipment is rated as "professional."

≡ COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES ≡

AMACHE CONSUMERS' ENTERPRISE, Inc., owned and operated by the residents, is located in the U-shaped Co-op building (9F). It was erected by the WRA and is rented by the Co-op.

This modern, horseshoe-shaped canteen (a combination of three 40 by 100 buildings) houses the following departments: newspaper, magazine and tobacco, foods and fountain service, clothing, variety and hardware, shoe and shoe repair, barber shop and beauty parlor, cleaning and laundry service, jewelry and watch repair, radio repair, and optometry supplies.

It also offers check cashing and insurance services.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS and various committees are elected by and from members to act as the "voice" of the consumers. Membership certificate is \$5.00---one member, one vote. There are about 2650 members enjoying Co-op savings.

Amache Consumers' solicit your membership and patronage. You may also purchase shares (limited to 20) at \$5.00 a share.

RELIGION

FREEDOM OF RELIGION, the right to worship one's own individual belief, is one of the bulwark of our community life.

Although the Christian Union Church and the Buddhist Church dominate local religious activities, there are other church groups actively engaged in religious work. They are: the Nichirens, the Catholics, the Seicho-No-Iyes, the Seventh-Day Adventists, and the Holiness Church.

7H and 10H recreation halls are used for the Christian Church services, while the Christian Sunday School for children and young people's groups are held at Terry Hall (8H).

7G and 12G recreation halls are used for the Buddhist Church services: Sunday mornings---Sunday School and YBA service. Sunday afternoons---Elder members service. All joint services are specially announced.

SERVICES held weekly by the various church groups are usually listed in the PIONEER church news page.

HOSPITAL

SEVENTEEN-WINGED PROJECT HOSPITAL is staffed by a chief medical officer and competent evacuee doctors. In addition to a WRA chief nurse and registered nurses, there are two evacuee nurses and a number of nurses' aides.

There are about 150 beds to take care of various patients.

DIVISIONS of medical units are the out-patient clinic, pharmacy, optometry, x-ray department, and dental clinic---all in the Out-patient building.

Surgery ward is a special unit for all major and minor operations.

DOCTOR is on call 24 hours a day but only emergency cases requiring immediate attention should be brought in or phoned in outside of regular clinic hours.

GENERAL CLINIC HOURS are 2 to 4 p.m. on week days with applications taken between 1:30 to 2:30 o'clock.

On Saturdays, the hours are 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and applications are taken between 9 to 10 o'clock.

VISITING HOURS (daily) are 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT sponsors and supervises all types of activities for old and young. Sports is placed on year-round basis with outside teams frequently scheduled for games.

Some of the activities are: talent shows, folk dances, shogi, goh, songfests, social dancing, and festivals.

TERRY HALL (8H) and high school AUDITORIUM are used for center-wide meetings, dances, talent shows, and other big events.

Regularly scheduled movies change films twice a week and are alternately shown at various mess halls each night. Admission is 5 and 10 cents. Movie schedule appears in the PIONEER.

VARIED forms of recreation and creative pastimes are offered the evacuees through various clubs and organizations. Some of the well-known center organizations are the Blue Star Mothers, the Boy Scouts, the Women's Federation, YWCA and the Girl Reserves, Hi-Y, YBA, USO, the Red Cross, and the Girl Scouts.

THE HOSPITALITY HOUSE (6G recreation hall) is used by various clubs for socials and meetings, and is a popular place for little get-togethers. You are always WELCOME to drop in at any time and meet your friends.

EDUCATION

AMACHE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT operates a program which extends through nursery school, kindergarten, elementary school, junior and senior high schools, and adult school.

The courses of study cover a wide range of scholastic activities, including industrial and fine arts, mathematics, social science, language, and vocational and physical educations. Amache high school is accredited by the University of Colorado.

DR. LLOYD A. GARRISON is the superintendent of schools.

NURSERY SCHOOLS for children three and four years old are in 7K, 9K, 11H, 11F, and 9E recreation halls. Kindergartens for children five years old are located in 9K and 9E recreation halls.

Elementary grades, one through six, are housed in Block 8H. Dr. Enoch Dumas is the principal.

Seventh and eighth grades are located in Block 8H.

Grades nine through twelve are in the high school building in Block 10G.

Herbert K. Walther is the principal.

Adult night school is "housed" in Block 8H. James K. Walter is the night school director.

== GRANADA PIONEER ==

THE PIONEER with a circulation of 3500 is a local semi-weekly newspaper delivered free to each apartment on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Staffed by 26 efficient, journalistic-inclined evacuees, the PIONEER edits and publishes all news and comments, both inside and outside the Center, of project interest. It disseminates information released by administrative officials and various center organizations.

THE PIONEER functions on the theory that Freedom of Speech, like Freedom of Religion, must be preached, practiced, and protected from within, and never abused. It strives to present news, not only with simplicity, vividness, and accuracy---but with dignity. It shall be truthful without being sensational.

All news of issei interest are translated by the PIONEER's translation staff and printed in the Japanese section.

THE PIONEER office is on the "first floor" in the "stately" PIONEER building and you are cordially invited to drop in at any time and watch the interesting process from A to Z of center newspaper publishing. THE PIONEER is an ultra-democratic institution and its work is very much the thing of "today." Come and see us.



== WATER AND POWER ==

WATER for our daily needs is supplied by four wells approximately 800 feet deep. A 200,000 gallon storage tank is used to chlorinate the water against possible pollution, from which the water is pumped into a 25,000 gallon tank high above the camp. This orange and white "checkered" tank, which rises 72 feet and visible for ten miles, is one of Amache's landmarks. If you ever wander away and can't see the tank, you know you're not only lost but, lo and behold, you're more than ten miles away. That is a pleasant thought, isn't it?

ELECTRICITY is supplied by the Lamar branch of the Rural Electrification Administration. The Center consumes approximately 234,000 kilowatt hours every month.

== ADMINISTRATION ==

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE duties are carried out in the two main administration buildings---known as the North Ad. and South Ad. And within these buildings are located the offices that daily direct the "destiny" of Amache residents.

INTRODUCING the "top" officials who administer with efficient dispatch guided by a warm heart and a cool head.

JAMES G. LINDLEY, project director-----room 2, North Ad.

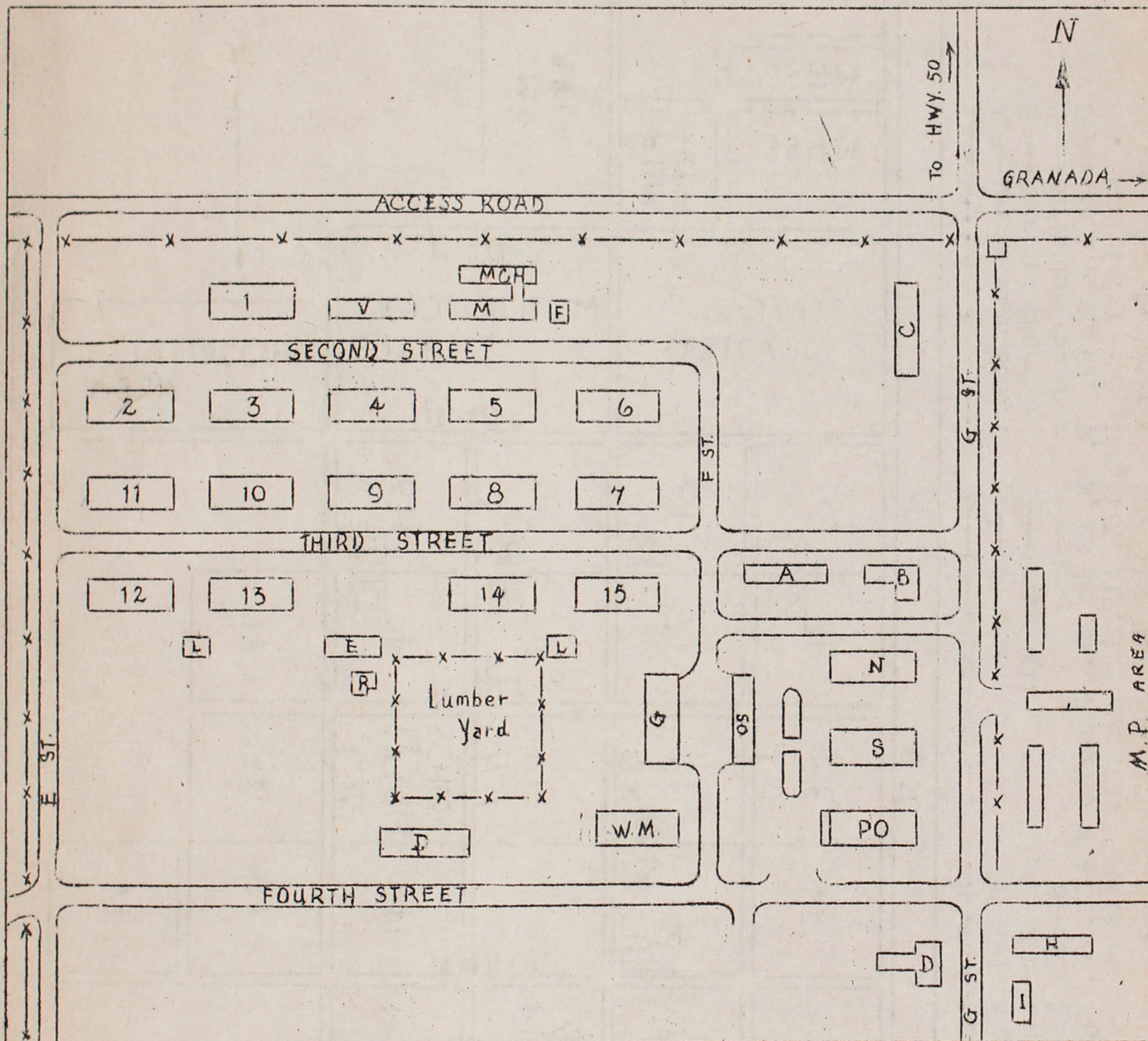
HENRY F. HALLIDAY, assistant project director, in charge of administrations and operations-----room 3, North Ad.

W. RAY JOHNSON, assistant project director, in charge of community management-----room 5, South Ad.

OTHER WRA OFFICIALS with functions directly concerning newcomers and their locations:

John Ter Borg, housing superintendent-----Reception Hall
Jacob Gerrild, social welfare counselor-----Reception Hall
Paul J. Fischer, evacuee property officer-----Wroth bldg.
Ralph J. Mitchell, property-warehouse officer--Property bldg.
Edmund B. Eaklor, personnel technician-----room 6, South Ad.
(center employment)
Donald T. Horn, project attorney-----room 3, South Ad.
(legal aid)
Walter J. Knodel, relocation program officer-Relocation bldg.
(selective service)
Willis J. Hanson, asst. relocation officer---Relocation bldg.
Lewis W. Fanslan, leave officer-----Relocation bldg.
Mario Vecchio, relocation advisor-----Relocation bldg.
Dr. Lloyd Garrison, school superintendent---room 7, South Ad.

ADMINISTRATION AREA

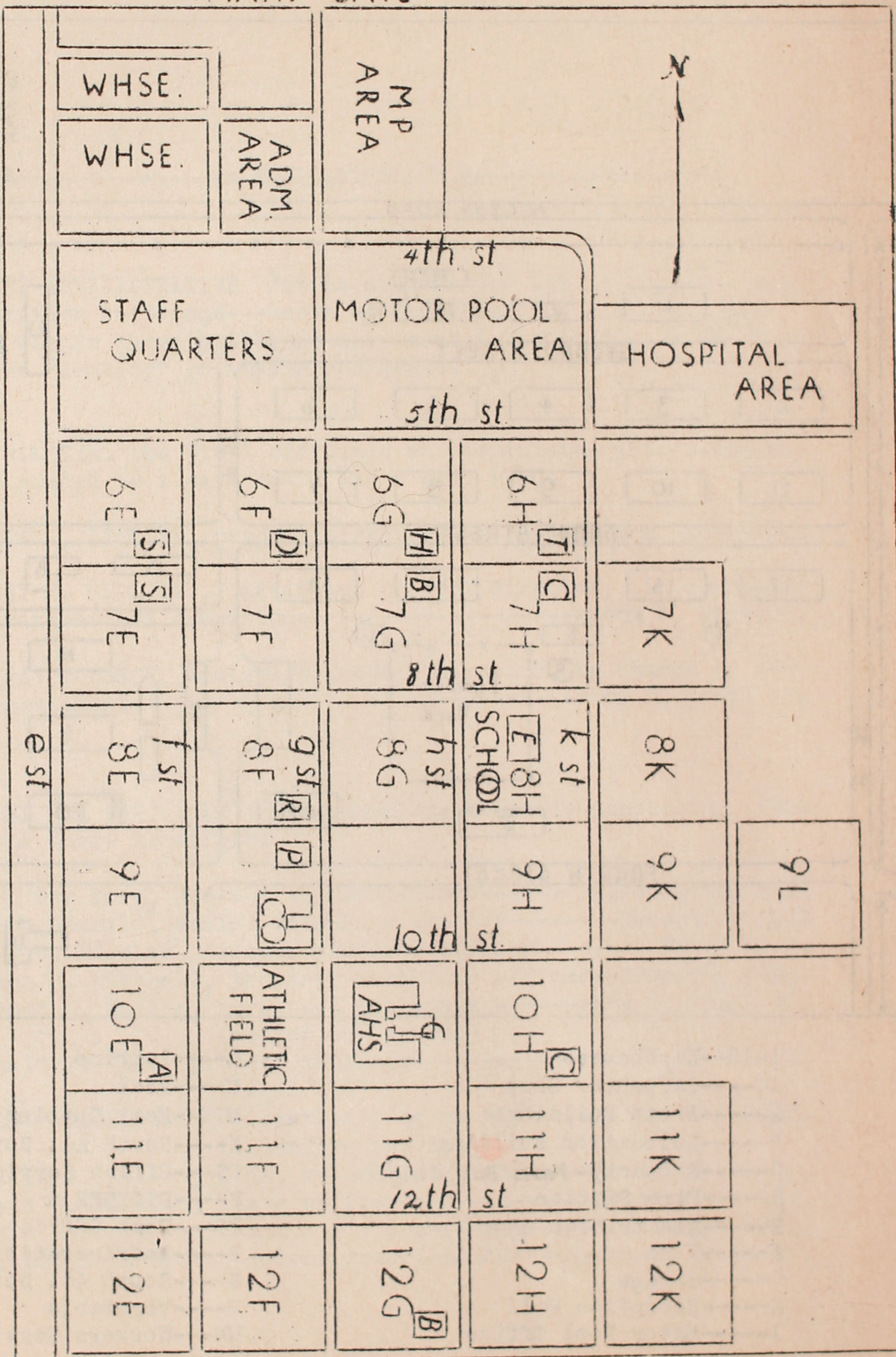


- 1-15--Warehouses
- 14----Carpenter Shop
- A-----Wroth Building
- B-----Relocation Building
- C-----Property-Farm Building
- D-----Fire Station
- E-----Electrician Shop
- F-----Fish
- G-----Garage
- H-----Reception Hall
- I-----Motor Pool Office

- L----Latrine
- M----Meat
- MCH--Meat Cutting House
- N----North Ad. Building
- OS---Office Service
- P----PIONEER
- PO---Post Office
- R----Refrigeration Shop
- S----South Ad. Building
- V----Vegetable
- WM---Workers Mess

GRANADA RELOCATION CENTER

MAIN GATE



- A---Boy Scouts
 - AHS---Amache High School
 - B---Buddhist churches
 - C---Christian churches
 - District 1 - 6E, 6F, 7E, 7F, 8E and 8F.
 - District 2 - 6G, 6H, 7G, 7H, 7K and 8G.
 - District 3 - 9E, 10E, 11E, 11F, 12E and 12F.
 - District 4 - 8K, 9H, 9K, 9L and 10H.
 - District 5 - 11G, 11H, 11K, 12G, 12H and 12K.
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- CO---Co-op Canteen
 - D---Red Cross
 - E---Terry Hall
 - G---Gym
 - H---Hospitality House
 - P---Police Station
 - R---Recreation
 - S---Silk Screen Shop

≡ GENERAL INFORMATION ≡

THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT handles all matters pertaining to your living quarters, other than those taken care of by your block manager, and acts on requests for transfers to other units.

THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT attends to the needs of the evacuees not ordinarily covered by government allotment. A confidential hearing on all personal and family problems on which you need advice or help is given with kind attention and understanding.

ADVICE AND COUNSELING on opportunities for relocation, indefinite, seasonal and short term leaves, information on selective service and leave clearances are given at the relocation division office in the Relocation building. Shoe ration stamps may also be obtained there.

All information on EVACUEE PROPERTY of all types may be had by contacting the evacuee property officer in the Wroth building.

Applications and placements for CENTER EMPLOYMENT are handled by the employment office, room 4, South Ad. building. Jobs of all types are available in nearly every department---office employees are especially in demand.

Advice on LEGAL AND INSURANCE matters may be had at the project attorney's office. A Japanese language interpreter is there for your convenience.

SHOPPING PASSES to Lamar (17 miles) and Granada ($1\frac{1}{2}$ mile) may be obtained at the police department, room 2, South Ad. Building. Pass to Lamar is limited to one a month. Pass to Granada may be had on any day. In either case, if working, you must first obtain permission from your section head.

POLICE STATION "on the hill" is the headquarter for the handling of all matters relating to the preservation of law and order within the center by a staff of evacuee personnel members. It is modeled after a similar organization found in any "outside" city.

EMERGENCY PHONE, indicated by an amber-colored light over it, is at the disposal of every block resident to make medical, fire, and police calls ONLY. You must tell the operator the department wanted and the nature of your business.

POSTAL SERVICE of all types and information on postal regulations are available at the Amache Post Office. USE V-MAIL!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION SEE YOUR BLOCK MANAGER!

